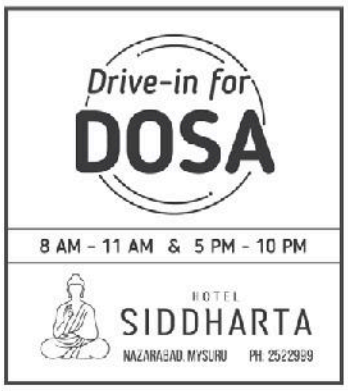

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PM opens G20 Summit

Prime Minister Narendra Modi speaking after opening the two-day G20 Summit that began in New Delhi this morning as Foreign Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar looks on.

Narendra Modi calls to remove 'global trust deficit'; welcomes African Union into G20

New Delhi, Sept. 9 (Agencies)- Leaders of the world's biggest economies have gathered in New Delhi for a two-day G20 summit that began this morning. The mega summit is being held at the Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi, the grandeur of which is being praised by the delegates.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi opened the Summit and after welcoming top world leaders, he called for turning the "global trust deficit" into a relationship of trust. Notably, 'Bharat' replaced 'India' on the PM's nameplate.

'Bharat' has also been used in a G20 booklet meant for foreign delegates titled — "Bharat, The Mother Of Democracy". "Bharat is the official name of the country. It is mentioned in the Constitution as also in the discussions of 1946-48," the booklet says.

PM Modi welcomed the African Union, a continental body of 55-Member States, as a permanent member of the G20 grouping, amid thunderous applause by world leaders. African Union Chair and Comoros President Azali Assoumani then took his seat among world leaders at the invitation of Foreign Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar.

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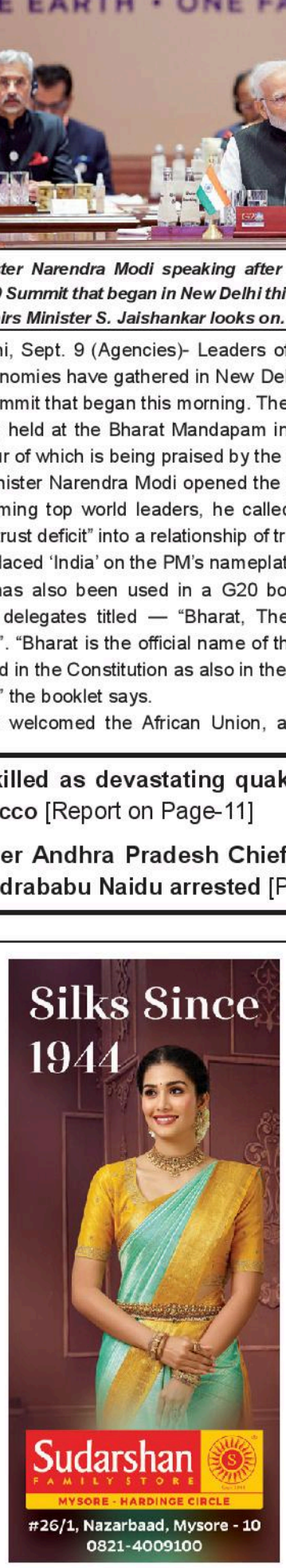

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Saturday 9th September 2023

No power supply on Sept. 10, 11 and 12

Mysuru, Sept.9- As Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) has taken up 2nd quarterly maintenance works at Kadakola Power Receiving Centre, Bannur, Chandhalli and Talakad Power Distribution Centres, power supply will be disrupted on Sept. 10, 11 and 12 from 10 am to 5 pm in the following areas:

Sept. 10- Kadakola Power Receiving Centre: Kadakola, Byathahalli, Dadadahalli, Sindhuvalli, Chikkakanya, Doddakanya, Koodanahalli, Kochanahalli, Marase, Makanahundi, KIADB Industrial Area, Airport, Beeregowdanahundi, K.M. Hundi, B.G. Hundi, K.N. Hundi, Ayarahalli, Kiralu, Doora, Murudagalli, Thaluru, D. Katuru, TVS Factory and surrounding areas.

Sept. 11 - Bannur Power Distribution Centre: Bannur Town, Kodagalli, Bisihalli, Hegguru, Attalli, Ketupura, Rangasamudra villages and Gram Panchayat limits.

Sept. 12- Chandhalli Power Distribution Centre: Doddehundi, Chandhalli, T. Doddapura, Shambudevanapura, Akkur, Akkurdoddi, Marnapura villages and Gram Panchyat limits.

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EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

In a world marked by the rivalries of great powers and the urgent need for collaborative action, the G20 has become a stage where realpolitik unfolds in real time. And yet, this forum — which accounts for 85 per cent of global GDP, 75 per cent of trade and an overwhelming majority of climate-warming pollutants — offers hope for cooperative action to shape the global future. India's G20 presidency, with its mix of geopolitical challenges and transformative potential, marks an important moment in the forum's history.

India's presidency has done something unprecedented: it has brought the Global South into the spotlight — where the world's majority live, the challenges they face and the opportunities they offer for a sustainable and prosperous world. By advocating for African Union's inclusion in G-20, India is reshaping the conversation, ensuring that the voices of the Global South are not just heard but amplified.

India's G-20 will also be remembered for its inclusivity within and outside the country. In line with its presidency theme — 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam,' or 'One Earth, One Family, One Future'— India has conducted over 220 meetings in 60 cities in all 28 States and 8 Union Territories involving voices from all corners of the globe and within India itself. It has also showcased India in a new light as a diverse and dynamic nation eager to bridge divides and foster collaboration.

A presidency alone is not sufficient to push an agenda. India, therefore, will have to work with other countries to get its transformative agenda implemented over time. Fortunately, India's presidency is the second in a line of four consecutive presidencies allotted to emerging economies —an occurrence not slated to happen for another two decades. India, therefore, has a great opportunity to work closely with Brazil and South Africa, the next two presidencies, to advance the agendas of the Global South. India's G-20 presidency will be remembered not just for its momentary milestones but for its audacity to envision and shape a more equitable and sustainable global future. Under India's guidance, the roadmap appears promising, with pathways to financial equity, digital inclusivity and environmental sustainability shining brightly. And while the ink may still be wet on its term, the true implications of India's presidency will unfold in the years to come. — *Chandra Bhushan in Deccan Herald*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Oldest living chicken is over 21 years old

Michigan: Peanut, a chicken from a no-kill farm in Michigan, is the current Guinness Record holder for the 'world's oldest chicken', at 21 years, 156 days, and counting.

Chickens have an average life expectancy of five to eight years, so Peanut is somewhat of a Methuselah of the aviary world. On Jan. 28, 2023, she was officially crowned the world's oldest chicken by Guinness World Records, at the ripe age of 20 years and 272 days. She has since turned 21 and is chasing the title of oldest chicken in recorded history.

But the craziest thing about Peanut is that, 21 years ago, her owner was getting ready to throw a batch of rotten-looking eggs a hen had abandoned into an alligator pond when she heard a faint chirp from one of them.

"I heard a second chirp, and I realized that the chick was alive and didn't seem to have an egg tooth to get out of its shell," Marsi Parker Darwin recalled.

Doctor claims there is life after death

Kentucky: A Kentucky oncologist who studied nearly 5,000 near-death experience cases over the last 37 years, claims that he has come to believe that "there's certainly an afterlife".

Jeffrey Long was an oncology resident when he first came across an article describing a near-death experience that ended up changing his life. Long was eager to learn more about near-death experiences and he became so obsessed with them that after his residency he founded the Near-Death Experience Research Foundation and he has since collected and studied thousands of near-death experiences. His conclusion – there is definitely life after death.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Myth: Calcium supplement causes renal stone,
Fact: Calcium intake in moderation would prevent stone as it binds to oxalate and prevent its absorption in intestine.

By Dr. Thimmaiah K.A. - Consultant – Urology - Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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Teachers urged to make students more committed towards learning

Picture shows** (from left) **Rev. Fr. Dr. Wilfred Rodrigues, Rev. Fr. Dr. Oswald Crasta, the Rector of Pushpashrama, Dr. Asha P. Pathrose, Dr. K. Yeshodhara, Dr. N.N. Prahallada, Winnifred and retired Professor Dr. Chandy during the inauguration of seminar at Pushpashrama Institute of Philosophy and Religion in city recently.

Mysuru, Sept. 9(KS) - Dr. N.N. Prahallada, former faculty, Regional Institute of Education (RIE), NCERT, Mysuru, has called upon the teachers to make students more committed towards learning various skills.

He was speaking during the special lecture on the topic 'Teacher Student Relationship,' at the one-day Teachers Seminar on 'The dynamics of Interpersonal Relationship in Education,' organised by Pushpashrama Institute of Philosophy and Religion at R.S. Naidu Nagar here recently.

Dr. Prahallada further said that teachers as Learning Facilitators have tremendous responsibility to guide, motivate and encourage student community to improve their thinking power.

Dr. K. Yeshodhara, former faculty, Department of Education, University of Mysore, highlighted about the role of parents to contact teachers to know the progress of their wards.

Earlier, Dr. Asha P. Pathrose from St. Joseph College of Education, Mysuru, who inaugurated the seminar, called upon teachers to be self-motivated to help students in their studies.

Over 200 teachers, teacher educators and Principals participated in the seminar.

Rev. Fr. Dr. Oswald Crasta, Rector and Dr. Wilfred Rodrigues, Dean of Studies and Coordinator of the seminar were present.

REALLY...?

- ***Christmas Tree Worm:** Scientists found this strange creature at the Great Barrier Reef's Lizard Island and named it, aptly, the Christmas tree worm. The spiral "branches" are actually the worm's breathing and feeding apparatuses, while the worm itself lives in a tube. These tree-like crowns are covered in hair-like appendages called radioles. These are used for breathing and catching prey, but they can be withdrawn if the Christmas tree worm feels threatened.*

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VOICE OF THE READER

Surge in human-animal conflict threatens lives

Sir,

It is deeply concerning to note the recent surge in human-animal conflicts, which has resulted in a significant loss of human lives, as reported in ***'Human-animal conflict spikes in Mysuru, Kodagu and Hassan'*** (*SOM* on Sept. 5).

According to another media report, since April 1, 2023, a total of 28 lives have been tragically lost, with 22 of these casualties attributed to elephant attacks. In just the last 15 days, 11 people have lost their lives to such incidents.

This situation is poised to worsen in the upcoming months unless immediate action is taken to establish robust barricades and protective measures.

The loss of skilled individuals from the Forest Department, such as 'Aane' Venkatesh, who fell victim to an elephant attack on Aug. 31 and the tragic demise of another Rapid Response Team member, Girish, near Madikeri, underscores the urgency of the situation. Additionally, the heartbreaking loss of nine-year-old Charan Nayak to a tiger further highlights the severity of the issue.

Another alarming statistic reveals that over the past three years, 152 people have lost their lives in elephant-related incidents. Furthermore, reports indicate the presence of 40 leopards within Bannerghatta National Park and an additional 30 leopards in and around Bengaluru. Statewide, there is an estimated population of 563 big cats.

The underlying cause of these conflicts is evident: The encroachment of human settlements into animal habitats due to a rapidly growing population. Addressing this issue demands a collaborative effort between the Government and the Central authorities to formulate an effective and comprehensive strategy.

— H.R. Bapu Satyanarayana
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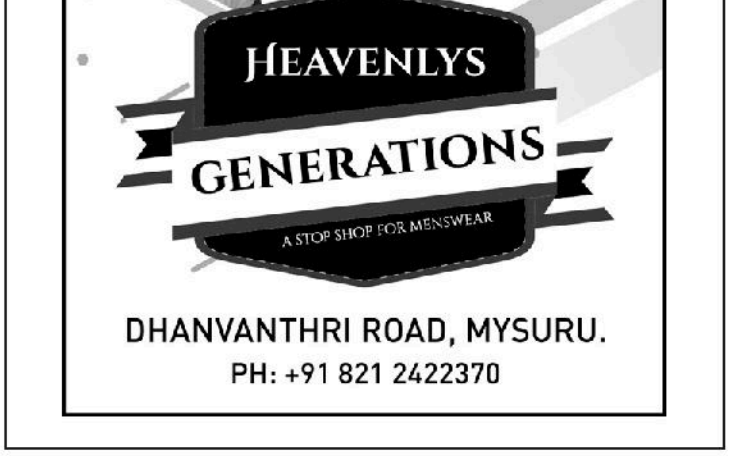

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NEWS BRIEFS

Annual General Body Meeting

Sri Banashankari Credit Co-operative Society, Mandi Mohalla, will be holding its 23rd Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) at Devanga Sangha on Kalammanagudi Beedi in Mysuru city tomorrow (Sept. 10) at 11 am.

The 26th AGM of Mysuru and Chamarajanagar District Industrial Supplies and Marketing Co-operative Society, Mysuru, will take place in the Society premises at Chamarajendra Technical Institute (CTI) Building, Sayyaji Rao Road, at 11.30 am on Sept. 20, according to a press release.

Inter-School Drawing Competition

KNC Innovative Global School is hosting an inter-school drawing and colouring competition on Sept. 16 in the school campus. The competition is from Grade 6 to 10 to be held under two categories. Category - 1 (Grade - 6 & 7): Village Life, Freedom and Social change. Category - 2 (Grade - 8 to 10): Man and Environment, Student and School Environment. For registration and details, contact Mob: 85535-90746 or 74117-43525.

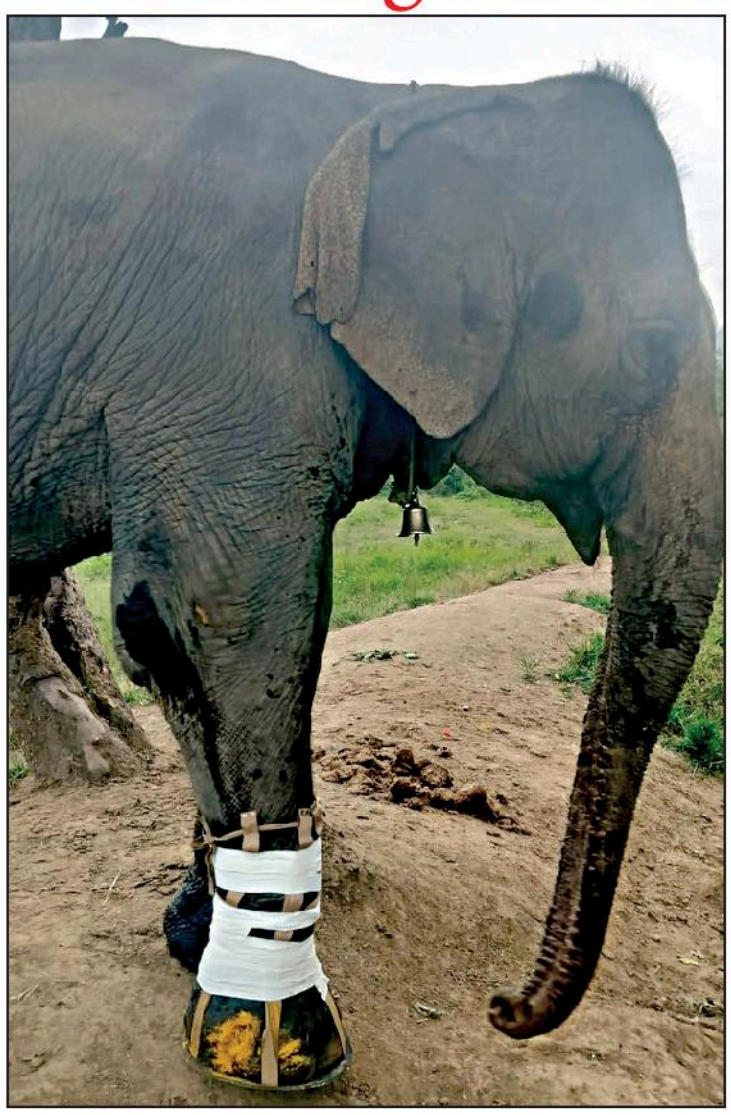
Happy Nativity of Mother Mary

Konkani Christian Association, Mysuru, will be celebrating 'Our Patron Blessed Mother Mary's Birthday' on Sept. 10 from 9.30 am at Konkan Bhavan in Vijayanagar 2nd Stage. There will be Holy Mass in Konkani, followed by felicitation to talents and traditional feast meal.

Elephant injured in circus fitted with rubber shoe

Kumari shows improvement after ingenious solution

Dr. H. Ramesh



Mysuru, Sept. 9 (MTY&BCT)- An elephant, suffering from a severe leg injury sustained during her harrowing time in a tourist entertainment facility, has found relief and care from veterinary experts who have devised an innovative solution for her ailment.

This heart-warming story comes from Hunsur Wildlife Division where a 60-year-old female elephant named Kumari has been residing at Doddaharave Elephant Camp.

Kumari, an elephant with a troubled past, had been living with a painful wound on her right foreleg, making her movement excruciating. Despite several attempts at treatment, her condition had not improved, with all medicines proving ineffective. The injury on her leg had been stubbornly resistant to healing, leaving her in pain and agony.

The caretakers at the Nagarahole Tiger Reserve had provided shelter to Kumari and her companions after they were rescued from a circus company that had been facing allegations of animal mistreatment. Out of six elephants initially taken in, two tragically didn't survive, emphasising the dire need for care.

Dr. H. Ramesh, a veterinarian specialising in wildlife at Nagarahole, took up the challenging task of finding a solution to Kumari's persistent leg injury. Her wound had not responded to traditional treatments and her mobility remained compromised. Dr. Ramesh devised a unique method to treat the wound and alleviate Kumari's suffering.

Using specially crafted shoe made from old rubber tyre treads, Dr. Ramesh provided support to Kumari's injured leg. These customised shoe offered a cushioning effect and reduced pressure on the wounded area. Kumari, with her new footwear, is remarkably showing signs of improvement and she is able to move more comfortably.

According to the staff, the treatment began 20 days ago and Kumari has been showing signs of recuperating. Earlier, due to excessive moisture, puss had filled the injured part of the leg and was not healing. The pus was drained off and antibiotics have been administered before fixing a cushion-like shoe.

Six elephants were brought from Kerala to Fun Fort near Srirangapatna on the Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway and were part of a circus company brought in for tourist entertainment. However, in 2015, the elephants were allegedly ill-treated there and acting on a complaint, Forest Department raided the entertainment zone and had seized six elephants.

Of the six elephants, two died out of pain and ill treatment. They were tied in the open fields and due to heavy rains and moisture, wounds had developed in the legs of three elephants and two died of infection. Kumari, Roopa and Chaya were shifted to Doddaharave Camp where Kumari's wound worsened. Now with the cushion-like shoe and the effective application of ointments and antibiotics, Kumari's condition is improving.

The heart-warming video of Kumari wearing her specially designed shoe was shared on social media platforms by the Forest Department, receiving widespread praise from the public. The innovative approach to treating an elephant's injury came in for immense appreciation.

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Two persons from city lose Rs. 6.62 lakh to online fraudsters

Mysuru, Sept. 9 - In separate incidents, a 40-year-old woman and a 38-year-old teacher have lost a total of Rs. 6,62,290 to online fraudsters.

In the first case, S. Shilpa, a resident of Vasu Layout in Ramakrishnanagar, received a registered post containing a lucky draw coupon and when she scratched the secret coating, she found that she had won Rs. 12.50 lakh as prize.

She then sent the photo of the prize-winning coupon to WhatsApp No. 84363-70335, which was mentioned in the coupon. A few minutes later, she received a call on her mobile phone and the caller told her that she would get a mail from the RBI and told her to transfer money in four instalments to receive the prize money of Rs. 12.50 lakh, following which Shilpa transferred a total of Rs. 1,01,290 and was cheated.

In the second case, Nagaraj, a teacher and a resident of Bhyraveshwaranagar, received a message regarding availability of part time jobs and contacted the number.

He received a link of a Telegram app and clicked the link, followed the instructions and transferred a total of Rs. 5,61,000, but did not receive any commission nor got back the money he had transferred, thus getting cheated. Both the cases have been registered at city's CEN Police Station.

Trader accused of cheating e-commerce firm of Rs. 15.57 lakh

Mysuru, Sept. 9- Nazarbad Police, following a complaint from the Manager of e-commerce company Flipkart, have registered a case against a trader for allegedly cheating the e-commerce company of Rs. 15.57 lakh.

The accused is Mahadevaswamy, in-charge of Prakruthi Stores on Papanna Street in Nazarbad. He is accused of failing to deposit money after selling the products from Flipkart and has also shut the shop.

Details: Flipkart has a branch at Kuvempunagar in city which distributes products to its five sub branches across the city to deliver the same to the customers and collect money from them.

Those in-charge of the sub branches, used to deliver the products to customers, collect money from them and deposit the cash to the Flipkart Bank account.

Mahadevaswamy, had made an agreement with Flipkart and used to receive the products. But after delivering the products and collecting money, he has failed to deposit the money collected from customers between May 1 and July 31, amounting to Rs. 15,57,975 to the Bank account of Flipkart, according to Flipkart Manager P. Manager, who has lodged a Police complaint against Mahadevaswamy. Based on the complaint Nazarbad Police, who have registered a case.

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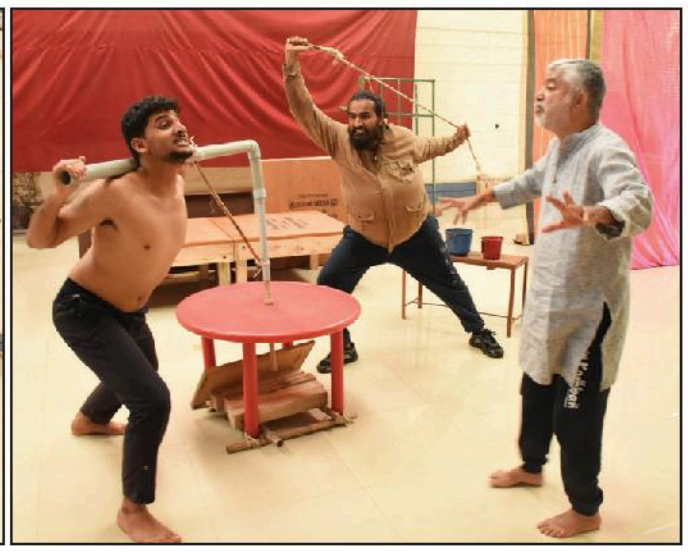
Play on Veer Savarkar's life story to blaze on stage soon

- Former Director of Rangayana Mysuru Addanda C. Cariappa helms the new Kannada play 'Karineera Veera'
- Cellular Jail in Andaman, where Veer Savarkar was incarcerated, was known as 'Kalapani,' black waters in Hindi. In Kannada, 'Karineeru' means 'black water.' Hence the title of the play 'Karineera Veera'
- Inaugural show in the city by this month end



Artistes rehearsing the Kannada play 'Karineera Veera' under the guidance of Addanda Cariappa.

By M.T. Yogesh Kumar

Mysuru, Sept. 9- Former Director of Rangayana Mysuru Addanda C. Cariappa has adapted the life story of freedom fighter Vinayak Damodar Savarkar, known as Veer Savarkar, into theatre.

The Kannada play titled 'Karineera Veera' will hit the stage in the last week of this month (September 2023) in the city, before embarking on a State-wide tour from October.

A new forum named Bharatiya Ranga Ghataka (Indian Theatre Unit) has been founded with the sole intention of kindling national and patriotic spirit by staging such plays. The maiden play from the stable is 'Karineera Veera,' which is a year-long project involving 15 artistes and two technical staff.

Savarkar Pratishtan of Mysuru that holds allegiance to Sangh Parivar has lent its support to Indian Theatre Unit, with Pratishtan President Dr. Yashaswini, Treasurer Sandesh, Secretary Rajath and Trustee Shivakumar being the backbone of the play.

Director Speaks

Sharing his thoughts with *Star of Mysore*, **Addanda C. Cariappa** said: "The play 'Karineera Veera' was written based on the facts related to the life of Veer Savarkar, with the support of Savarkar Pratishtan and Sangh Parivar. To make it realistic, a 15-member team of young artistes who have completed one-year Diploma Course in Acting at Rangayana, Neenasam, Sanehalli (Shivasanchara Repertory), Chitradurga, Natana and Karnataka State Dr. Gangubai Hangal Music and Performing Arts University, Mysuru, were selected and involved in the task since Aug. 1. They are paid a monthly salary of Rs. 15,000, besides providing food and accommodation to them. While I am the Director of the play, my wife Anitha Cariappa is also acting in the play, besides being the Manager of the troupe."

The pre-theatre training and rehearsals are being held at Sri Sai Saraswathi Vidyakendra, Bogadi. Following the staging of inaugural play, it is planned to stage 75 shows across the State, with invitation received from 10 to 20 places to stage the play, said Addanda Cariappa.

Book before the play

A book on Savarkar's play will also be launched a fortnight before the maiden show. It is being planned to release the book at the hands of Union Minister Pralhad Joshi in Dharwad.

The reading of the play 'Karineera Veera' was done before four to five eminent persons involving those from theatre and literature fields. It was on their insistence, that the play was adapted to stage, said Cariappa.

The play is of two-and-a-half hours duration with 11 sequences. Savarkar started untouchability eradication campaign even before Mahatma Gandhi and Dr. B.R. Ambedkar did. Dalits were allowed inside the temple and also *Sahapankti Bhojana* (the opportunity to have food along with others), which are all a part of the narration.

Rs. 1 crore project

"It is Rs. 1 crore project that made a beginning from zero. We have organisers throughout the State, who take care of organising the show, with the prominent leaders of Sangh Parivar supervising them. They (Sangh Parivar leaders) have told me to focus on finer aspects of the play, without worrying much about funds and organising the play," said Cariappa.

The 10-day orientation programme conducted before rehearsing for the play was attended by Retired Additional Secretary to the Government of India C.V. Gopinath, Senior Musician Puttannaiah, Light Designer Nanda Kishore, Music Composer Pa.Ra. Krishnamurthy, Theatre Artiste Jagadish Manavarthe, singer Sriharsha, Orientation Organiser Karthik Upamanyu and several others lending their moral support to this project.

Former Director of Rangayana Mysuru Addanda C. Cariappa and his artiste-wife Anitha Cariappa with the artistes of the play 'Karineera Veera' after a rehearsal session.

Freedom fighter Veer Savarkar

Artistes Speak

The truth hidden in the womb of history should be dug out some day. We were not aware of Savarkar during our college days. Now, the work of presenting the facts before people will begin with this play.

—Theerthesh, who plays the role of Savarkar as a boy

I am happy to have the privilege to tell the truth about Veer Savarkar, which the people were not aware of till date.

—Manoj Ekalavya, enacting the character of Subhas Chandra Bose

The history of Savarkar, which I read earlier during school and college days, was totally different from what I understood after reading the play. There was no mention of his (Savarkar) contributions to freedom struggle. Now, everything will be made known to the people through the play.

—Harisingh, playing Savarkar's role

Release of Cauvery water

Former CM Bommai accuses Congress of failing to protect State's interests

Srirangapatna, Sept. 9- Accusing the State Congress Government of failing to protect the interests of Karnataka in Cauvery row, former Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai alleged that the Congress has betrayed the State by releasing Cauvery water to Tamil Nadu at a time when the State was staring at drought.

Speaking to presspersons after leading a BJP delegation to KRS Dam in the taluk yesterday, Bommai maintained that the State Government had miserably failed in convincing the Cauvery Water Management Authority on the actual availability of water in KRS Dam. Charging the State Government of releasing water to TN even before the Court would deliver its order, he said that following widespread protests, the Government has told the Court that it would stop releasing water after Sept.12. The BJP would launch a massive agitation if Cauvery water is released in violation of its submission in the Court, Bommai said adding that the BJP would press for a crisis period water-sharing formula and execution of Mekedatu project across Cauvery river along Karnataka-Tamil Nadu border.

Media prevented

Bommai vented out his anger for not allowing media persons to enter the KRS Dam. He alleged that the Government had restricted media persons to the Dam in order to hide its clandestine release of water to TN in order to please the DMK Government there.

Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha too took strong exception for disallowing mediapersons to the dam. Asserting that mediapersons were no terrorists, he said Government was desperately trying to hide facts concerning water release. He accused the Congress Government of failing to argue its case strongly in the Supreme Court as it was mired in excitement following implementation of its poll guarantees.

He also charged the Congress Government of trying to please its electoral partner in Tamil Nadu, the DMK, by releasing more water. Simha warned of a severe agitation if the Government continued to release water to TN at a time when Karnataka is facing drinking water crisis.

Water flow to Tamil Nadu stopped

Even as the BJP delegation headed by former CM Basavaraj Bommai visited the KRS Dam, the State Government on Friday stopped release of Cauvery water to Tamil Nadu. The Government had been releasing more than 5,000 cusecs of water every day from KRS to TN for the past 10 days, which had angered the State farmers, forcing them to launch agitations and stirs.

Following the stoppage of water release to Tamil Nadu, the Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Limited (CNNL) authorities started release of water in canals of KRS reservoir. About 3,500 cusecs of water is expected to flow through the channels by Friday night, according to CNNL officials who also said that the water level in KRS Dam stood at 98.06 ft. with an inflow of 2,873 cusecs and outflow of 3,990 cusecs.

Asserting that water release to Tamil Nadu has been completely stopped, the officials further said that 35.53 TMC of water has been released to Tamil Nadu from July 7 till now.

Former Ministers R. Ashoka, Dr. C.N. Ashwathnarayan and Govind Karjol, MLA T.S.Srivatsa, party leaders Dr. Siddaramaiah, Sachidananda, Dr. Indresh, Ashok Jayaram, Mandya District BJP President C.P. Umesh, Mysuru Mayor Shivakumar and others were present.

Training for Home Care Assistants

Mysuru, Sept. 9- International Human Development and Upliftment Academy (IHDUA), Mysuru and HCG have organised a four-month "General Duty-cum-Home-based Care Assistant Training Programme" in city. SSLC pass/ fail or Higher Education students, aged between 18 - 35 years (male and female) are eligible to apply. For details contact Ph: 0821-2302045 or Mob: 87628-50960.

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G20 Summit: 7-tier security cordon around venue, hotels

Aerial Insertion Team of NSG rehearses the third-dimensional swift response to counter-terror contingencies by carrying out precision spot aerial drops on critical high-rise buildings before the G20 Summit in New Delhi.

New Delhi, Sept. 9 (Agencies)- New Delhi is hosting the G20 Summit with an unparalleled security operation that envelops the India Trade Promotion Organisation (ITPO) Complex in Pragati Maidan. This venue has been transformed into a fortress, boasting an unprecedented seven-tier security cordon, manned by various security forces, including the Delhi Police, the National Security Guard (NSG), and the Indian Army.

Approximately 10,000 security personnel, including commandos, form the extensive cordon. They are augmented by teams overseeing hundreds of CCTV cameras and equipped with sophisticated gear to counter any potential threats.

This security arrangement is structured as a seven-layered defence system, with the Delhi Police commandos forming the first layer and the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) constituting the seventh layer, prepared to handle chemical, biological, radiation and nuclear (CBRN) threats.

In addition to this comprehensive security approach, five safe houses have been strategically placed within the ITPO complex, designed to withstand missile attacks and other potential threats. These sanctuaries will serve as shelters for VVIP foreign guests.

Furthermore, a helipad has been constructed on the campus for the swift airlift of both Indian and foreign dignitaries in case of contingencies. The Special Protection Group (SPG) will oversee the safety and security of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Rigorous security screenings

Delegates will undergo rigorous security screenings at their respective hotels before proceeding to the main venue. Their vehicles will be directed to designated arrival areas, where they will be greeted by hosts and security personnel. Secure parking slots have also been designated to ensure a smooth and secure entry process.

Three control rooms have been set up at the main venue, ensuring seamless coordination and communication. If one control room becomes compromised, the other two will seamlessly take over, and in the unlikely event of all three being under attack, the central control and command room at the Delhi Police headquarters will assume control.

The ITPO Complex has been under the control of the Delhi Police since India's Independence Day celebrations on Aug. 15. Thorough scans and regular sanitisation of the complex, including tunnels, drainage systems, sewer lines, and buildings, have been conducted.

High-rise buildings, residences and other structures around the main summit venue have been thoroughly examined. Trained snipers will be positioned on various high-rise buildings, including the Supreme Court of India, to monitor suspicious activities and movements.

Three-layer security for Biden

US President Joe Biden has been accorded extensive security measures, including a three-layer security arrangement. His delegation will stay at the ITC Maurya Sheraton Hotel, where staff members have undergone background checks, and special access cards have been issued for those visiting the 14th Floor, where President Biden will stay.

A dedicated lift has been installed for access to the floor, and around 400 rooms have been booked at the hotel. During his visit, President Biden will travel in 'The Beast,' the US Presidential Cadillac, flown to India from the US aboard a Boeing C-17 Globemaster III, a large military transport aircraft.

This heavily armoured and bulletproof vehicle, considered one of the world's safest, will be under the constant guard of the United States Secret Service.

Delegates to enjoy taste of India

Desi delights, fusion food, millets on the menu

New Delhi, Sept. 9 (Agencies)- Delhi is leaving no stone unturned to make it a memorable experience for visiting dignitaries.

Beyond the splendid decorations adorning the capital, the G20 summit boasts an array of attractions, including a craft market featuring artistry from every corner of India. However, one aspect that's sure to tantalise the senses and leave a lasting impression is the special Indian menu curated for the event.

What sets this G20 culinary journey apart is its emphasis on vegetarian fare, celebrating the rich tapestry of Indian cuisine with a focus on utilising coarse grains, locally sourced vegetables, and fruits.

But the pièce de résistance is the showcase of regional delicacies, each offering a unique taste and flavour representing various Indian States. Here's a sneak peek into what awaits the guests, including a tour of our beloved desi street foods.

Attendees of the G20 summit will savour dishes from across India. The menu includes Bihar's famous litti chokha, the traditional Rajasthani dal bati churma, Punjabi tadka dal and iconic South Indian favourites like uttapam and idli. For dessert, there's Bengali rasgulla, South Indian masala dosa and sweet jalebi.

Indian street food is renowned worldwide and the guests will get a taste of its vibrancy. The delectable street food options range from golgappa, dahi bhalla, samosa, bhelpuri, vada pav, to the ever-popular chatpati chaat. And there are even more fusion delights waiting to be explored.

This year, millets take centre stage as the world celebrates the International Year of Millets. Hence, the Summit's culinary spread will feature samosas, parathas, kheer and halwa, all crafted from this nutritious grain.

Sumptuous all-vegetarian meals include over 100 traditional and local delicacies like grilled vegetable salad, chickpea sundal, roasted almond and vegetable broth, paneer lababdar (Uttar Pradesh dish), potato lyonnaise, subz korma (Andhra Pradesh dish), kaju matar makhana, penne in arrabiata sauce, lentil jawar dal tadka (Uttar Pradesh dish), pyaz jeera ki pulao (Punjabi dish), tandoori roti, butter naan, kulcha, cucumber raita, tamarind and date chutney, mix pickle, and plain curd.

Desserts include kuttu malpua (Uttar Pradesh special), kesar pista rasmalai (Odisha special), warm walnut and ginger pudding, strawberry ice cream and black currant ice cream. Other dishes include ragi idli, millet pancakes, lamb and little millet soup, palm heart, cherry tomatoes, pearl millet and mixed mesclun, murgh, badam and amaranth korma, millet nargisi kofta, caramelised onion and cumin millet pulao, wild rice and pearl millet mousse, orange quinoa and little millet kheer.

The Taj Mahal, New Delhi, has been a favourite among the diplomatic community, and for G20 guests, Chef Arun Sundararaj has curated a menu with a special emphasis on millets, combining them creatively across three meals.

Ensuring the highest standards of hygiene, the Delhi Government's Department of Food Safety has deployed officers to inspect and monitor food preparations. Over 18 food safety officers are collecting raw samples of ingredients to ensure the utmost quality.

Stringent checks on kitchen cleanliness and staff hygiene are also part of the rigorous safety measures. None of the food items will be prepared or served without undergoing lab tests, ensuring the utmost safety for all guests.

Swadesh Darshan 2.0: Feasibility study begins

Mysuru, Sept. 9 (BLU&BCT)- Following Deputy Commissioner (DC) Dr. K.V. Rajendra's directives, officials have initiated a feasibility study to support the implementation of the Central Government's Rs. 80-crore Swadesh Darshan 2.0 scheme within the city limits. Yesterday, officials commenced a survey of tourist destinations.

During a recent 'Destination Management Committee' meeting, the DC instructed officials to conduct a feasibility inspection on Sept. 8 to prepare a proposal for the scheme's initial phase. The study will prioritise developing parking facilities, constructing hanging bridges and introducing toy trains for children, among other planned tourist attractions.

The Swadesh Darshan 2.0 initiative aims to enhance tourism potential, benefiting both local communities and the broader tourism industry. In Karnataka, Mysuru and Hampi are the two historical cities selected under the scheme.

To prepare a Detailed Project Report (DPR), a team led by Tourism Department Joint Director M.K. Savitha visited Mysuru Zoo, Dasara Exhibition Grounds, Karanji Lake, Palace Varaha Gate and other destinations.

Officials are exploring options to improve basic infrastructure, promote adventure sports and conduct extensive online publicity for unexplored destinations.

After covering the city, officials will extend their surveys to tourist destinations in the district and city outskirts that can be included in the scheme.

According to official sources, the DPR will help the territorial administration develop a sustainable action plan for destination tourism under the Swadesh Darshan 2.0 scheme. The DPR will have a 10-year perspective with a policy framework for various tourism verticals, aiming to establish Mysuru as a preferred tourist destination in the country.

The proposed DPR will include destination assessment, statutory and tourism plan review, visioning, target outputs, proposed strategies, action plans (both hard and soft interventions), project operations and a maintenance plan.

Additionally, the DPR will focus on improving air connectivity to other destinations, introducing hop-on-hop-off services with private participation, developing a tourist cruise terminal, enhancing last-mile connectivity and promoting e-vehicle services.

Other plans include relocating the Zoo parking to Exhibition Grounds, refurbishing State-owned hotels and restaurants, integrating toy trains, promoting traditional tonga travel, building a subway from the Zoo to Karanji Lake and showcasing GI-tagged products and Mysuru cuisine.

Members of the survey team include Zoo Executive Director Mahesh Kumar, Karnataka Exhibition Authority CEO Rajesh, Tourism Deputy Director Raghavendra, along with consultants Ashwin and Siddesh from Deloitte Private Limited.

K.R. Co-operative Bank to fete Senior Co-operators tomorrow

Mysuru, Sept. 9 (BLU&TRR)- City's K.R. Co-operative Bank is organising a felicitation programme tomorrow to honour Senior Co-operators for their contributions to the Co-operative sector.

The programme will be held at the Maharaja's College Centenary Hall at 11 am. Seer of Sri Salur Mutt of Male Mahadeshwara Hills, Sri Shantamallikarjuna Swamiji will grace the occasion. MP Pratap Simha will inaugurate the function and MLA Tanveer Sait will preside. Kollegal MLA A.R. Krishnamurthy will also participate as chief guest.

On the occasion, 'Sahakara Ratna' awards will be conferred on Senior Co-operators M. Mallikarjunaswamy, R. Rangaswamy, S. Siddalingaswamy, S. Mohanraju, N. Mallikarjunaswamy, Thimmaiah, S.E. Subbanna, Channegowda, S.M. Karibasappa, M. Siddappa, D. Anandakumar, A. Sampathkumarachar, M.S. Nataraj, M. Mukunda, Siddaramaiah, S. Basappa, Mohamad Anwar, Chandramma, Anasuya and Padmavatamma.

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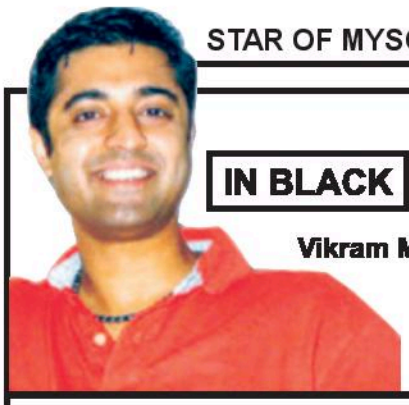

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Compassion in Education

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We celebrated Teachers' Day four days ago, but will it be a relevant holiday as technology and Artificial Intelligence (AI) seep into our classrooms?

Schools are no longer the 'temples' of knowledge, and teachers are no longer the high priests. Information today is on children's fingertips as they swipe, tap and click their way into a world of learning.

Teachers cannot be mere informers anymore; they must do more, and their purpose in a new education ecosystem has to change. Solely imparting knowledge is no longer the purpose of teachers.

As technology lessens the teachers' burden of imparting knowledge, teachers can be mentors for a child's wholesome development. For this, they need empathy and compassion.

Teaching with empathy is easier said than done. When a teacher's efficiency is solely based on the outcome of a student's test results, it's only natural that teachers are harsh towards students when they cannot finish homework, grasp concepts and don't pay attention in class. This harsh behaviour of teachers driven by 'performance appraisal anxiety' turns them into a figure of disdain and fear rather than trust.

It may seem impossible for a teacher to keep calm and show empathy when young students are annoying, but they must.

Teachers today are the new counsellors, therapists and support systems for young children. Today, a teacher has to bring what Google and ChatGPT cannot: kindness, compassion and empathy to learning.

As students face high study pressure and mental health issues, they need someone to understand them and help them navigate this new world, which is constantly switching between the real world and the digital universe, and that person is a school teacher.

Our schools will not improve until we build a new teacher education system which involves empathy and compassion. If our schools don't improve, we will never be a kind, humane, empathetic, civil society.

This reminds me of late Professor G.T. Narayana Rao. GTN, as he was fondly known, was my father's teacher. Later, he became my teacher too, albeit at home, as he visited us often and spent time talking about science, nature and the importance of being decent.

GTN used to walk or cycle when he could have ridden a motorised vehicle. But it turned out he believed in, as he put it — *"keep both your mind and body moving."*

But GTN was not just about science; he loved literature and music too. My interest in literature, music and drama came from him. I learnt the basics of Karnatak music from a music teacher he recommended. I didn't go beyond the basic *'lambodhara laku me kara'* — the *krithi* I never enjoyed and still don't.

When he heard of my lack of interest in Karnatak music, he said, "It doesn't matter; pursue what you love and enjoy." He did not get into a long, drawn-out lecture on the merits of Karnatak music or say I was trying to be 'Western'. There was no judgement, only encouragement to try new things.

What was interesting about him was, even though he was stern, he was very kind and fair, so I never feared to ask questions. No question was ever a 'stupid question' for him. He would simply say, "Putta, the answer is but obvious..." and then go on to answer it.

Once, I walked past GTN, who was chatting with our neighbourhood math teacher. As I walked past them, I wished them both. The math teacher looked at me and mockingly said, "Good morning, Jack", then turned to GTN and added, "he is a jack of all and master of none", before letting out a condescending laughter.

The tuition teacher was mocking me for taking Karnatak music, then dropping it, taking tabla classes, then dropping it and taking up sketching and dropping it."

GTN looked towards me, noticed my embarrassed grin, turned back at the teacher and replied, *"Meshtre,* you should know, he may be a jack of all and master of none, but in life, often times it's better than being master of one". Then he added, "By the way, that is how the complete saying goes".

GTN, an empathetic teacher, recognised that even children have a sense of self-worth and self-esteem. That day, he protected a child's self-esteem while also giving a lesson in kindness and knowledge to a seasoned yet unkind teacher.

Today, I may not be a Karnatak music exponent, a cricketer, a tabla maestro, or a sketch artist, but I know enough of the basics to appreciate them. I feel more well-rounded.

Thanks to GTN, a compassionate teacher whose encouragement to try different interests has instilled in me a deep sense of curiosity and fearlessness to ask questions.

Most teachers who are fondly remembered by their students are not the ones who were experts in their subject matter but the ones who imparted whatever they knew with compassion and kindness.

Children love and remember teachers who remove the 'fear' factor from their classrooms and turn them into safe spaces, which turn children into confident adults.

No wonder Rabindranath Tagore wrote: *"Where the mind is without fear, the head is held high".*

Nothing is worse for a child's education than the fear of a teacher because that fear will stop a child from asking questions.

If you instil a fear of questioning, you create a society of sheep and 'employables' instead of one that pursues excellence, innovation, kindness and enlightenment.

This Teachers' Day, let's hope some teachers will create more empathetic classrooms and fearless spaces for our children.

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PM Modi opens G20 Summit at Delhi

World leaders including US President Joe Biden and British Prime Minister Rishi Sunak at the G20 Summit opening in New Delhi this morning. Picture right shows the Summit Round Table.

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Before formally starting the proceedings of G20, Prime Minister Narendra Modi expressed his condolences over the loss of lives due to an earthquake in Morocco. "We pray that all injured recover at the earliest. India is ready to offer all possible assistance to Morocco in this difficult time," he said.

The post-COVID world is suffering from a trust deficit, and the (Ukraine) war has deepened it further, he said, adding that we need to walk together for global good. PM Modi said we live in times when age-old problems are seeking answers, and we need to fulfil our responsibilities with a human-centric approach.

"The idea of 'sabka saath, sabka vikas, sabka vishwas, sabka prayas' can be a guide to the world," he added. PM Modi said India's G20 Presidency has become a symbol of inclusion, both inside and outside the country.

The PM highlighted the need to further human-centric development, which is also something Indian culture has always emphasised on. "It is with a spirit of One Earth that India has worked on initiatives such as LiFE Mission, emphasised on International Year of Millets, launched Green Grids Initiative - One Sun, One World, One Grid, harnessed solar power, encouraged natural farming and the National Green Hydrogen Mission," Modi said.

A replica of the 13th century Konark Wheel from the Sun temple in Odisha's Puri served as the backdrop of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's welcome handshake with G20 leaders as they arrived at the summit venue. Modi reached Bharat Mandapam, accompanied by Jaishankar and National Security Advisor Ajit Doval, among others.

The leaders attending the summit include US President Jo Biden, German Chancellor Olaf Scholz, French President Emmanuel Macron, British Prime Minister Rishi Sunak, Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, his Italian counterpart Giorgia Meloni, South Korean President Yoon Suk Yeol and Brazilian President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva. Chinese President Xi Jinping and Russian President Vladimir Putin are not attending the summit.

India currently holds the G20 presidency, which rotates annually among the member nations. Welcoming world leaders and foreign delegates who will be attending the Summit, President Droupadi Murmu said, "India's G20 Presidency theme, 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam – One Earth, One Family, One Future', is a global roadmap for sustainable, inclusive, and human-centric development. I wish the participants of G20 Summit every success in their efforts towards realising this vision."

632 killed as devastating quake strikes Morocco

Rabat, Sept. 9 (Agencies)- A devastating earthquake with a magnitude of 6.8 struck central Morocco late on Friday, resulting in tragic loss of lives. The earthquake has claimed the lives of at least 632 people, with dozens more sustaining injuries.

Morocco's Interior Ministry confirmed the grim toll early on Saturday, reporting that 632 individuals had tragically lost their lives in provinces near the epicentre. Additionally, around 300 injured individuals were transported to hospitals. Most of the damage occurred in rural areas rather than urban centres, and the authorities are still assessing the full extent of the destruction.

Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi expressed his condolences for the earthquake's victims, stating on the microblogging platform X (formerly Twitter): *"I am deeply saddened by the loss of lives due to the earthquake in Morocco. In this tragic moment, my thoughts are with the people of Morocco. My heartfelt condolences to those who have lost their loved ones. I hope for a swift recovery for the injured. India stands ready to provide all possible assistance to Morocco during this challenging time."*

According to the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), the earthquake initially registered at a magnitude of 6.8 when it struck at 11:11 pm (2211 GMT), with the tremors lasting several seconds. Morocco's National Seismic Monitoring and Alert Network measured it at 7 on the Richter scale.

The USGS also reported a magnitude-4.9 aftershock approximately 19 minutes later. Discrepancies in early measurements are not unusual, but either reading would represent one of the strongest earthquakes in Morocco in recent years. Although earthquakes are infrequent in North Africa, a magnitude 5.8 quake near Agadir in 1960 resulted in thousands of fatalities.

The earthquake's epicentre was situated high in the Atlas Mountains, approximately 70 kilometres (43.5 miles) south of Marrakech. It was close to Toubkal, the highest peak in North Africa, and the popular Moroccan ski resort of Oukaimeden. The USGS reported that the epicentre was 18 kilometres (11 miles) beneath the Earth's surface, while Morocco's seismic agency estimated it at 8 kilometres (5 miles) deep.

As of early Saturday, Moroccan authorities, including the official news agency MAP, had not yet released detailed information about casualties or damages. Typically, Government officials utilise the agency to disseminate important information.

The earthquake's impact was felt as far away as Portugal and Algeria, according to reports from the Portuguese Institute for Sea and Atmosphere and Algeria's Civil Defene agency, which manages emergency responses.

National Lok Adalat held at City Courts

Mysuru, Sept. 9 (MTY&DM)- The National Lok Adalat, organised as per the directions of National Legal Services Authority, began at the City and Taluk Courts across the district this morning.

This is the third National Lok Adalat of the year. The first one was held in March and the second one in May. As many as 13,315 cases that have been identified as pre-litigation and pending cases for settlement, will be taken up in today's Lok Adalat.

The cases include pre-litigation cases pending in courts, all types of civil and compoundable criminal cases, money recovery cases, cases under Section 138 of Negotiable Instruments Act, labour dispute cases, motor accident claims, disputes related to public utility services, service matters including pensions, matrimonial disputes, revenue cases, land acquisition cases and other civil cases.

The Lok Adalat provides a platform where disputes between the parties involved are settled through a process of negotiation, counseling and mediation, without payment of any fee.

The Lok Adalat is being held at as many as 52 tables in Mysuru City and District Courts Complex and at the Malalavadi Court Complex in Jayanagar.

Principal District and Sessions Court Judge G.S. Sangreshi, who is also the Chairman of District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), Civil Judge and DLSA Member-Secretary B.G. Dinesh, Mysuru Bar Association President M. Mahadevaswamy and other office-bearers were present at the Adalat.

MUDA decides to form Layout in 155-acre area at Bommenahalli

Mysuru, Sept. 9 (RK&DM)- The MUDA meeting held here on Wednesday decided to form a residential Layout in 155.32 acre area coming under different survey numbers at Bommenahalli in Yelwal Hobli of the taluk.

The meeting, which was presided over by Deputy Commissioner Dr. K.V. Rajendra, who is also the Chairman of MUDA, resolved to form the Layout on a 50:50 ratio basis in partnership with land-owners, who have agreed to part with their land.

Group Housing Scheme

The meeting resolved to implement the Group Housing Scheme that is proposed to come up in 4.21 acre area at Survey No.25 (P) of Basavanahalli on a public-private partnership basis.

The other decisions included construction of affordable multi-storied buildings (vertical growth) in MUDA sites, renovation of Buddha Vihar building near Ballal Circle in Krishnamurthypuram at a cost of Rs.50 lakh, seeking approval of the Government for utilisation of MUDA funds, approval for payment of Rs.28 crore for completion of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Bhavan coming up at Devaraja Mohalla and Rs.10 lakh grant for construction of a compound around Gandhi Bhavan.

In another important decision, the meeting decided to grant plan approval for formation of 30 private layouts in city surroundings.

The meeting also had a prolonged discussion on the proposal of Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda who wanted MUDA to hand over the sites formed by it in areas coming under local bodies to the concerned local bodies itself.

The MLA had argued that local bodies have to find new sources of revenue if they want to strengthen their resources.

Monitoring Committee for Lakes

Following reports that thousands of fish died of pollution in Lingambudhi Lake, the meeting decided to form a Committee headed by the Deputy Commissioner for monitoring Lingambudhi and Kukkarahalli Lakes, the two biggest lakes of the city. The Committee will have the MUDA Commissioner and eminent persons who have concerns for the environment, as members.

MLAs G.T. Devegowda, Rameshbabu Bandisiddegowda, K. Harishgowda and Darshan Dhruvanarayan, MLCs Marithibbegowda, C.N. Manjegowda and Dinesh Gooligowda, MUDA Commissioner G.T. Dineshkumar, Urban Planning member Sesha, SE Channakeshava and others attended the meeting.

JD(S) convention at Bengaluru on Sept.10

Bengaluru, Sept. 9- In a bid to rejuvenate the party ahead of the Lok Sabha, BBMP and local body elections, the JD(S) will hold a massive convention of party workers at Palace grounds in the State Capital on Sept.10.

JD(S) supremo and former Prime Minister H.D. Deve Gowda will take part in the convention at the Palace ground's Nalpad Pavilion (Gate 5) at 11 am. Former Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy, State Party President C.M. Ibrahim and other top leaders of the party will be present.

MPs, MLAs, former Ministers and Legislators, defeated party candidates and party office-bearers from across the State will be attending the convention.

'Mantra Mangalya' shows the way for this Police pair

Mysuru, Sept. 9 (BS)- A Policeman and a Policewoman celebrated their union in a simple ceremony, pledging their vows in the 'Mantra Mangalya' tradition promoted by the esteemed Poet Laureate Kuvempu. The ceremony took place at Prof. Shagale Parvathamma Trust House, Contour Road, Gokulam 3rd Stage recently.

The wedding was orchestrated by Manava Mantapa, an organisation of secular-minded individuals dedicated to the promotion of 'Mantra Mangalya.' Police Constables R. Mahesh Kumar and T. J. Mahalakshmi exchanged their vows, with Dr. K. Kalachanne Gowda presiding over the ceremony.

Dhananjay Eliyur, the Convener of Manava Mantapa, expounded on the significance of Kuvempu's 'Mantra Mangalya.' He explained that Kuvempu himself conducted his son's (the late writer K.P. Poornachandra Tejaswi) marriage to Rajeshwari using the 'Mantra Mangalya' tradition.

Kuvempu preferred a simple ceremony with only 50 guests and even urged his friends to bless the newly weds whenever they found the time. In pursuit of this simplicity in weddings, Prof. K. Ramadas, Prof. H. Govindaiah, Prof. Shivaramu Kadanakuppe and others came together to establish 'Manava Mantapa,' under which thousands of couples have found marital happiness, he said.

Dr. Kalachanne Gowda emphasised that when couples in love approach them to arrange their marriages, they scrutinise the authenticity of their commitment. He lamented that despite rapid urbanisation, some people still resist inter-caste marriages, leading to 'honour killings.'

L. Jagannath shared his experience, saying, "I also married my partner Bhargavi in a similar manner. Let more such marriages occur to help eradicate the caste system from society."

Parashurame Gowda of Parisara Balaga said that he was influenced by Karnataka Rajya Raitha Sangha (KRRS) leader Prof. M. D. Nanjunda Swamy, and said he too opted for a simple marriage.

Mime Ramesh, a theatre person, mentioned that initially, he wanted to remain single but decided to marry upon the insistence of his friends from Rangayana and writers. Besides, it was a love marriage. When love is the foundation, considerations of caste and religion become irrelevant, he said.

Dr. V. Vanaja of Manava Mantapa shared her personal journey, recalling, "When I moved to Mysuru from Sringeri, my mother readily consented to my marrying anyone. My father even proudly announced in the village that I was marrying outside our caste. Dr. Kalachanne Gowda gained popularity in Sringeri because of this."

Prof. Kumaraswamy, retired officer of Women and Child Welfare Department Raju, Convener of GPIER Theatre Troupe M.P. Haridatta, artistes Suman and Chandan were present.

Maharani's students, NSUI leaders stage silent stir for bus facility

Mysuru, Sept. 9 (GA&BS)- A silent protest was staged by the students of Maharani's Women's Commerce and Management College, Paduvarahalli under the banner of National Students Union of India (NSUI), Karnataka, in the city on Thursday, demanding adequate KSRTC bus facility to the College.

The protest was staged in front of the bus stop near the College, with the protesting students holding placards with Kannada slogans 'Beke Beku Bus Beku' and waving NSUI flags to draw the attention of authorities concerned towards the issue.

A memorandum addressed to Divisional Controller, KSRTC, Mysuru, by the General Secretary, NSUI, Karnataka, H. A. Rafiq Ali, stated that "Due to lack of adequate bus connectivity, the students are facing difficulty in reaching the College in the morning hours, forcing them to walk to College for 2 kms. Similar is the situation after College hours in the evening. Despite submitting memoranda for the past two years, there is no response yet."

Congress leader Dr. H.V. Sushruth Gowda, Corporator Pailwan Srinivas and several NSUI leaders took part in the protest.

Religious Meet of Seers at Ganapathy Ashram

Mysuru, Sept. 9 (GA&DM)- Sri Krishnadhama Chaturmasya Samiti, in association with the District Unit of Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP), will be holding a 'Santara Dharma Sabhe' (Religious Meet of Seers) at Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram on Nanjangud Road in city at 10 am tomorrow (Sept. 10).

Announcing this at a press meet here yesterday, Sri Krishnadhama Chaturmasya Samiti President M.K. Puranik said that more than 35 Seers from different Mutts in Mysuru and surrounding districts are expected to take part in the Meet. The Religious Meet is expected to pass a resolution on pressing the Government for continuation of Anti-Cow Slaughter Act and Anti-Religious, Conversion Act, introduction of a Censor System for Monitoring Serials, Advertisements and Documentaries broadcast on TV channels, OTT platforms and various other issues.

The Meet will also discuss Hindu Festivals and the Indian family system, the challenges faced by Hindu religion, creation of awareness among Hindu Youths, Bala Samskara, Nationality and the like, Puranik said adding that the Meet will also feature Bhajans and a vocal concert.

Samiti Office-bearer Ravi Shastri, VHP office-bearers Jagadish Hebbar, Madhushankar and Savitha Ghatke were present at the press meet.

Patanjali Mahila Maha Sammelana on Sept. 10

Mysuru, Sept. 9 (SSM)- Pantanjali Mahila Yoga Samiti, Karnataka, under Patanjali Yogapeetha, Haridwar, has organised Mahila Maha Sammelana at Kalamandira on Sept. 10 at 9 am.

As many as 2,000 yoga teachers from South India will take part in the Sammelana. Mahila Patanjali Yoga Samiti Chief Central Officer *Sadvi* Dr. Devapriya Mataji will grace the occasion.

She will deliver a talk on the topic "Importance of yoga in women's life."

Patajali Yogapeetha, Haridwar, Founder *Yoga Rishi* Ramadevaji will address the gathering about "Mother's Power" via video conference. He will also speak about how Patanjali Yoga Foundation, Haridwar, used yoga, ayurveda and naturopathy treatment, ancestral medication practices to cure dangerous diseases.

The entry for the programme is free, according to a press release from the Samiti.

Bouts to mark inauguration of Wrestling Association

Mysuru, Sept. 9 (GA&DM)- As part of its launch, the Mysuru District Wrestling Association will be conducting a Wrestling Tournament (30 pairs) at the wrestling arena of D. Devaraj Urs Multi-purpose Sports Stadium near Dasara Exhibition Grounds at 3 pm tomorrow (Sept. 10).

Announcing this at a press meet at Pathrakartara Bhavan here yesterday, Association President Pailwan Chandrashekar Ittigegud said that the Association is being formed in order to strengthen and promote the sport in the district.

Noting that as part of the inauguration, 30 pairs of wrestling bouts will be held starting from 3 pm, he said that all the participating wrestlers will be gifted with a 5 gram silver coin and the winners will be given cash prizes.

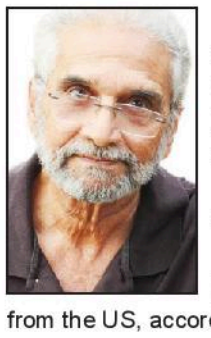
The tournament will act as a booster for the forthcoming Dasara Wrestling Tournament, he said adding that ahead of the bouts, Pailwan Aziz Pathan will bring Sports Torch *(Kreeda Jyoti)* to the venue from Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple at the Palace North Gate.

A poster of the Tournament was released on the occasion.

The Association office-bearers Venkatesh, Chotu Rafiq, Ravishankar Palahalli, Rani Venkatesh and Prasanna Raj were present at the press meet.

Obituary

Ragoo Rao



Mysuru, Sept. 9- Ragoo Rao (76), Ethologist and a resident of Jayalakshmipuram 3rd Cross, Mysuru, passed away on Thursday night, following a brief illness. He used to occasionally write articles on birds in *Star of Mysore*.

He leaves behind his wife Rajeshwari Rao, four daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites took place at Chirashantidhama in Gokulam today, after the arrival of his daughters from the US, according to family sources.

Science Sanje at Suruchi Rangamane: Talk on 'Story of Semiconductor'

Mysuru, Sept. 9- As part of Science Sanje, Kalasuruchi and Kutuhali have jointly organised a talk on 'Story of Semiconductor' by **Dr. C.P. Ravikumar** of Texas Instruments Ltd., Bengaluru, at Suruchi Rangamane in Kuvempunagar today (Sept. 9) from 6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.

Dr. C.P. Ravikumar has been working at Texas Instruments for the last 22 years. Prior to this, he worked as a Professor in the Department of Electrical Engineering, IIT, Delhi, for ten years.

He has done Ph.D from University of Southern California, ME from Indian Institute of Science (IISc.) and BE from Bangalore University. Dr. Ravikumar has published more than two hundred and fifty papers in the field of semiconductors and computers.

He has been a research advisor to six Ph.D students and more than 50 M.Tech students.

He has won best paper awards in four Global Technology Conferences. He holds four US patents.

Abhinava Prakashan published the first book on computers in Kannada, "Computer Gogu Kannadi" (1990). Indian National Academy awarded him Fellow. IEEE organisation has given him the honour of Senior Membership.

State-level Elocution Contest

Mysuru, Sept. 9 (SSM)- Every year Sept. 11 is celebrated as Digvijay Divas as that was the day Swami Vivekananda gave the world-famous speech in 1893 at Chicago in the World's Parliament of Religions. Swami Vivekananda conquered the world on this day with his spirituality in practice and that too at a time when India was not even independent. It was for the first time that the message of Universal Brotherhood and its proper understanding was given to the western world.

Rashtrabharathi Charitable Trust, Mysuru, has organised a State-level Elocution Contest at Gopalaswamy Shishu Vihara near Nanjumalige Circle here on Sept. 10 at 10 am for PU, Degree and PG students. Students can speak about Digvijay Divas in Kannada or English language.

Five plus one minute time will be given for each contestant. Winners will be given Rs. 5,000 (first), Rs. 3,000 (second), Rs. 2,000 (third) and Rs. 1,000 (consolation) cash prizes.

For details, contact C.K. Rudramurthy on Mob: 99168-21631 or H.B. Satish on Mob: 96638-82250, according to a press release.

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It is hereby notified that, my client intends to purchase the schedule property from its present owners **Sri. Chamarajanagar Vishwanath Shridhar (Sri C V Shridhar)** aged about 77 years S/o Late C V Vishwanath & (02) **Smt. Bhavani Shridhar** aged about 72 years W/o C V Shridhar Both are presently residing at flat no 402 No 1611, KBR Nirvana Ramakrishna nagar Mysure & this schedule property presently been held under Mortgage with HDFC Bank and my client intends to purchase the same and proceed to pay the entier mortgage outstanding amount to HDFC bank as a part of the sale consideration.

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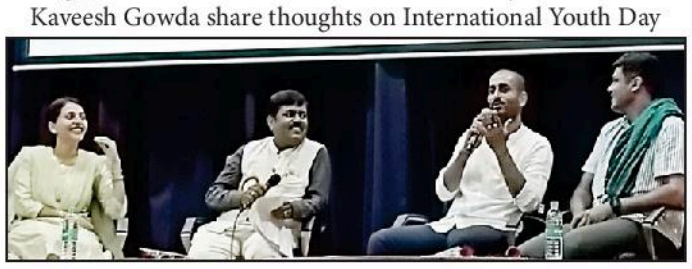
Youths must enter politics for meaningful change

Young politicos Darshan Puttannaiah, Aishwarya Mahadev and Kaveesh Gowda share thoughts on International Youth Day



Mysuru, Sept. 9 (BCT)- In a thought-provoking event held at Vijnana Bhavan, University in Mysuru to commemorate International Youth Day, prominent figures in politics came together to emphasise the pivotal role of youth in shaping the future of governance and politics.

The programme was initiated by the Grassroots Research and Advocacy Movement (GRAAM) in partnership with Participatory Research in Asia (PRIA) and the Hanns Seidel Foundation (HSF) as part of the Youth for Governance Fellowship in Mysuru.

The event featured speakers including Darshan Puttannaiah, MLA of Melukote Assembly Constituency, Aishwarya Mahadev, Youth Congress leader and AICC Spokesperson and V. Kaveesh Gowda, educationist and young politician.

The panel discussion was moderated by Dr. Basavaraju R. Shreshta, India Coordinator of the Delivering Democracy Working Group of G20 C20 and Executive Director of GRAAM, and it touched upon various aspects of youth involvement in governance and politics.

Youth in governance and politics

Darshan Puttannaiah emphasised the critical importance of young individuals actively participating in the political arena. He asserted, "Our democracy thrives when the voices and energies of our youth are harnessed. Today's youth possess a unique perspective on the challenges and opportunities facing our nation. Their participation is not just a privilege but a necessity for our collective progress."

Responding to questions, Darshan stressed that movements such as the farmers' (Raitha Chaluvali) movement are key to strengthening democracy and governance. He highlighted the Karnataka Raitha Sangha's framework to engage more youth and strengthen the movement.

Affirmative action and reservation

Dr. Basavaraju Shreshta cited examples of countries like Africa offering reservations for youth to ensure their adequate representation in politics. He also mentioned Turkey's lowering of the stipulated age to contest elections to 18 years and Austria's lowering of the minimum voting age to 16 years.

Aishwarya Mahadev expressed the need for affirmative action in favour of youth. She remarked that, "It is essential to ensure youth participation in the political ecosystem by reserving seats in all elections, similar to the reservations we have for women. We need to secure positions for young leaders in Central, State and local democratic structures."

Politics as a service

Aishwarya Mahadev encouraged youth to start with small steps like local cleaning drives to bring about larger socio-political change.

Kaveesh Gowda highlighted the essence of politics as a means to serve the community. "Politics should not be viewed as a career but as a path to serve the people," he said.

All three speakers unanimously stressed the significance of active participation within the political system to bring about meaningful change. They encouraged youths to be active agents in delivering democracy at the grassroots without succumbing to selfish and monetary ambitions.

Driving political change

The panellists acknowledged the need for greater political will to bring about political change, but they also underlined that active youth participation could be the catalyst for change in the political landscape.

Aside from the panel discussion, the event featured various activities, including a street play competition, poster presentation competition, quiz competition, and a reel challenge, engaging more than 325 youth from Mysuru and nearly 40 educational institutions.

For more information about the Youth for Governance Fellowship and the programme, contact 96202-07879. Also, visit *www.graam.org.in.*

'Civil engineers hold more responsibility than doctors'

Mysuru, Sept. 9 (PM&BS)- Dr. N. Suresh, Director of Fire Safety Research Foundation, Mysuru, has said that civil engineers hold more responsibility in the society than doctors.

Dr. Suresh, who is also a Civil Engineer and former Principal of National Institute of Engineering (NIE), Mysuru, spoke during a Technical Seminar on the topic 'Engineering a Resilient Future: Building Stronger, Smarter, Safer', organised as part of 56th Engineers' Day celebration on account of Sir M. Visvesvaraya's birth anniversary, by The Institution of Engineers (IE-India), Mysore Local Centre, at its premises on JLB road in the city on Thursday.

Dr. Suresh said "If a doctor errs in his job, only a patient dies, with his or her mistake buried under the ground, but if a civil engineer commits any blunder, the possibilities of death and injuries are more and the mistake will remain as a grim reminder of the folly. Earlier, while constructing a building, more priority was given for strengthening the structure. Now, apart from the strength, more focus is on its longevity too. The people also desire to own a building, which can withstand any natural calamity and also man-made disasters."

Nowadays, sensor is being used in construction industry, using the technology of which we can assess the strength and threat to the building, even after 20 to 30 years. Hence, the features like strength, durability and their capacity to withstand any disasters, have come to forefront in the construction industry, said Dr. Suresh.

Hundreds of disasters damage the buildings, with fire mishaps, earthquake, tsunami, explosion of volcano and flood being significant among them, added Dr. Suresh.

IEI Chairman B. S. Prabhakara, Convenor A.S. Satish, Co-Convenor K.B. Bhaskar and Honorary Secretary H.S. Suresh Babu were present.

Week-long State-level FDP on 'Cyber Security and Digital Forensics' held

Mysuru, Sept. 9 (KS) - The Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering, ATME College of Engineering, Mysuru, had organised a week-long State-level Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on "Cyber Security and Digital Forensics" at its premises recently.

Dr. A.M. Sudhakara, Director, Pas3cyberlabs, Mysuru, spoke about the Emerging Trends in Cyber Security and Digital Forensics with various case studies of Ransomware attack on supply chain and healthcare sector.

Mahesh Vastrad, Founder and MD of Agamya Infotech, Dharwad, conducted practical hands-on Network Security, Port Scanning, Exploitation, Tools on Nmap and Metasploit Framework and also shared valuable insights into ADB, SQLite DB, Genny Motion and more.

Dr. M.R. Lokesh, Professor, VCET, Puttur, spoke about the significance of Block Chain in Cyber and Digital Forensics.

Dr. Chennamma, Associate Professor, JSS STU, Mysuru, who spoke about Digital Imaging Forensics, also briefed about the tools that helps in detecting true images and forged images from the tools such as JPEG swoop, Foto Forensics, Tin eye.

Dr. K.T. Veeramanju, Director, Pas3cyberlabs, shared expertise in Digital Forensics and Mobile Forensics and gave insights about advance features of mobile data recovering.

Dr. S.P. Shivaprakash, Professor, JSS STU, shared insights about IoT, on various possible IoT attacks besides sharing IoT security tools such as Armis, Fore scout, Zing box, Mucana etc.

Awareness on concurrent cyber security challenges and hands-on training on Forensic Tools was created to participants from various institutions across the State.

Programme Convener, Professor and Head of Electrical and Electronics Engineering Department Dr. L. Parthasarathy, Event Coordinators Dr. C. Shakunthala, Associate Professor R. Shreeshayana, Assistant Professors P. Vinod Kumar, S. Maria Sushma and others were present.

Conference of Union Bank of India SC/ST Employees Welfare Association begins

Mysuru, Sept. 9 (GA&DM)- The day-long 2nd Triennial Conference of Union Bank of India SC/ST Employees Welfare Association-Karnataka began at Hotel President here this morning.

Speaking after inaugurating the Conference, former Faculty of University of Mysore Prof. B.P. Mahesh Chandra Guru said that Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, who is the Father of the Constitution, always strived to get Social, Economical, Political and Cultural freedom to all citizens of the country.

Maintaining that SC/ST communities are not the lone beneficiaries of Dr. Ambedkar's movement, he asserted that all Indians are the beneficiaries of social justice advocated by him.

Observing that the people of the country should be grateful to Dr. Ambedkar for having given the Constitution that ensures social justice to all, he said that Baba Saheb also fought for equality, justice, education and empowerment of women.

R. Shivakumar, Deputy Regional Head (Mysuru), Union Bank of India, in his address, opined that the society should be like a florist in a way for bringing about parity in all areas. Lauding the Association for doing a good job in disseminating useful information on Government facilities, schemes, programmes and benefits to all sections of society, he said that the Association should be beneficial even to the lowest strata of society by working for their financial and social empowerment.

Association President D. Vijaykumar, Deputy General Secretary G. Manchaiah, General Secretary D. Krishnamurthy, Joint Secretary Arun Kumar, Vice-President Anand Rathod, Prof. Siddaraju, Kasturi and others were present.

Former Andhra Pradesh CM N. Chandrababu Naidu arrested

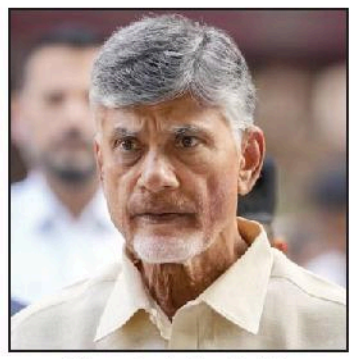
New Delhi, Sept. 9 (Agencies)- In a dramatic turn of events early this morning, the Andhra Pradesh State CID Police arrested Telugu Desam Party National President and former Andhra Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu in Nandyal in connection with an alleged Rs. 550 crore Skill Development scam.

Naidu has been named as the accused number 1 in the case. Details of the FIR and other information were provided to Naidu's advocates, who also demanded *prima facie* evidence, as his name was not mentioned in the FIR report.

The former Andhra CM faces charges of criminal conspiracy, cheating, and dishonestly inducing delivery of property. Before his arrest, Naidu was seen in a video demanding the Police provide him with the FIR copy, questioning his arrest without his name in the FIR and without providing supporting evidence.

Along with Naidu, TDP MLA and former Minister Ganta Srinivasa Rao and his son Ganta Raviteja, were arrested. TDP MP Kesineni Srinivas appealed to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, President Droupadi Murmu, and Union Home Minister Amit Shah for intervention, describing Naidu's arrest as "illegal" and expressing concerns about the manner of his arrest.

Chandrababu Naidu, speaking to reporters after his arrest, asserted his innocence and demanded proof of concept for his arrest. He emphasised his long history of serving the Telugu people and his commitment to their interests.


Chandrababu Naidu

Chandrababu Naidu is alleged to have orchestrated the scam through Andhra Pradesh State Skill Development Corporation (APSSDC) to train unemployed youths. Despite his advocates' demands for details, the Police assured them of providing information in the remand report within 24 hours.

Naidu's medical examination was conducted at a camp after he refused to go to Nandyal Hospital. He is scheduled to appear before a special court in Vijayawada. The charges against him are non-bailable.

CID Additional DGP N. Sanjay referred to Chandrababu Naidu as the prime accused in skill development scam case during a press conference.

Custodial interrogation is considered necessary due to the potential influence on investigation. The charges carry a penalty of more than 10 years of imprisonment, the DGP said.

Union IT Minister to inaugurate STPI next month: Pratap Simha

Mysuru, Sept. 9 (BLU&BCT)- Union Minister of Electronics, Communications and Information Technology Rajeev Chandrashekhar is scheduled to inaugurate the new **Software Technology Parks of India (STPI)** building and incubation centre in mid-October, said Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha.

During an inspection of STPI in Hebbal industrial area yesterday, the MP noted that construction is nearly finished. The new STPI incubation centre, costing an estimated Rs 27.64 crore, is being overseen by the Central Public Works Department.

Rajeev Chandrashekhar has agreed to inaugurate the new facility, with the dates to be finalised, possibly coinciding with Dasara. STPIs have been established at five locations in Karnataka, with the main centre in Electronics City, Bengaluru, and sub-centres in Mysuru, Hubballi, Mangaluru, and Manipal.

STPI Mysuru was inaugurated by former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee in 1998 at Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering (SJCE) campus, marking the first STPI in a non-capital city in India. In January 2008, STPI Mysuru was allotted 2.36 acres to attract and support startups and SMEs in the region.

Strategically located near major IT companies like Infosys, L&T, Wipro, Kaynes Technology, SPI, Cynet DLM, and other MSME and SSI units, the three-storey, 40,000 square feet building offers 110 plug-and-play seats, along with 6,500 square feet of semi-furnished raw space featuring a data centre, server room, and network operation centre for high-speed data communication. It also includes a 100-seater auditorium, conference hall, discussion rooms and a cafeteria.

STPI Mysuru aims to promote software and software services development and export, manage infrastructure resources, and provide statutory and promotional services to exporters. The improved connectivity, including the Bengaluru-Mysuru Expressway and proposed Mysore Airport expansion, is expected to boost investments in Mysuru, the MP added.

STPI offers various services, such as data communication, incubation, project management, and consultancy, supporting startups throughout their project lifecycle. The centre anticipates creating numerous job opportunities, with the incubation centre alone expected to generate 600 direct jobs and 3,000 indirect jobs.

This initiative aligns with the Government's vision to promote IT and ITES in Mysuru, generating local job opportunities.

Water disruption on Sept.12 and 13

Mysuru, Sept. 9- Due to emergency maintenance works in Melapura and Rammanahalli pumping stations, there will be disruption in water supply for two days on Sept.12 and 13 in the following areas: Kesare, Rajendranagar, Subashnagar, N.R. Mohalla, Gandhinagar, Udayagiri, Rajeevnagar (1st, 2nd and 3rd Stages), Shantinagar, Kalyanagiri, Yaraganahalli, Siddartha Layout, Alanahalli, Nandini Layout, Giridarshini Layout, Ghousianagar, Kyatamaranahalli and Dr. Rajkumar road.

BABU'S BANTER

By M.V. Nagendra Babu

Streetlights in R.T. Nagar get power supply finally

Mysuru, Sept. 9 (CN&BS)- Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha inaugurated the newly established electricity connection for streetlights at Rabindranath Tagore (R.T.) Nagar, located adjacent to the Outer Ring Road.

The residential layout, comprising 2,000 sites, was developed by the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) back in 2017. However, due to the absence of essential amenities, only 65 allottees have managed to construct houses, while 15 more houses are currently under construction.

In 2022, temporary power connections were provided to the existing houses. Now, all the blocks within the layout labelled A, B, C, D, and E, have been granted permanent electricity connections. This news has brought joy to site owners who are eager to begin construction, according to local residents.

In addition to electricity, locals have also appealed for a drinking water connection. In response, MP Pratap Simha mentioned that a ground-level water reservoir with a storage capacity of two lakh litres has been constructed in the layout.

"Water is supplied from the Kabini reservoir and soon, a pipeline will be installed to deliver water to the houses from a five-lakh-litre capacity overhead water tank. MLA G.T. Devegowda has been instrumental in providing these essential amenities, and water supply is expected to commence in a few months," he said.

To meet the electricity needs of 2,000 dwelling units, a seven MW power station is required. An estimated Rs. 24 crore has already been allocated to the Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL), and construction of the power station is expected to be completed within six months, further benefiting the residents, said the MP.

The local residents are happy with the permanent power supply. One resident expressed gratitude to MP Simha, saying, "Lack of electricity connection had caused significant inconvenience, leading to security concerns. Now, we can walk without fear." Several R.T. Nagar residents, including Rajesh, Raveesh, Sripad Rao, Kiran, and others, were present at the inauguration event.

Residence renovation and procurement allegations

State orders departmental probe against Rohini Sindhuri

Rohini Sindhuri

Bengaluru, Sept. 9 (KMS& BCT)- The Karnataka Government has initiated a departmental inquiry into senior IAS Officer Rohini Sindhuri following allegations of financial irregularities and the falsification of information during her tenure as the Deputy Commissioner of Mysuru district in 2018-19.

The investigation was officially ordered on June 9, 2023. The inquiry has been initiated to investigate the alleged irregularities related to the renovation of the Mysuru DC's residence and the procurement of clothing and bags. These allegations date back to Nov. 24, 2022, when an initial inquiry report was submitted to the Government.

During the preliminary examination, it became evident that the responses provided by Rohini Sindhuri were insufficient, and essential documents were not provided. This prompted the Government to take further action.

The Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms (DPAR), Under-Secretary James Tarakan, issued the order, appointing senior Karnataka-cadre IAS Officer Yogendra Tripathi, currently on Central deputation, to lead the probe. The other officer in the probe team is BBMP Special Commissioner Ujwal Kumar Ghosh. Notably, this marks the third time in the past three years that an investigation has been launched against Rohini Sindhuri.

At the centre of these allegations is the claim that, while serving as the Deputy Commissioner of Mysuru, Rohini Sindhuri oversaw unauthorised renovations, including the construction of an alleged illegal swimming pool, within a heritage building — the residential bungalow of Mysuru DC.

The allegations against Rohini, brought forth by S.R. Mahesh, now former JD(S) MLA and a close associate of former Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy, include claims of financial irregularities. Specifically, she was accused of procuring sub-standard bags as part of a Government consignment at Rs. 52 each, despite their availability in the market for Rs. 10 to Rs. 13.

In response to these allegations, Rohini Sindhuri submitted an official reply on May 4, 2023. However, after examining her response, the State Government determined that her clarification was insufficient. Consequently, the Government has now ordered the departmental inquiry to ensure a thorough and impartial examination of the matter.

Over Rs. 16,000 crore SC/ST funds diverted to other purposes in 10 years

Mysuru, Sept. 9 (RK&DM)- Strongly opposing diversion of welfare funds by Governments over the years, Samajika Nyaya Sabaleekarana Vedike leader K.N. Prabhuswamy has claimed that a whopping Rs. 16,706 crore of SC/ST welfare and empowerment funds has been diverted to other purposes in the past 10 years.

He was speaking at the State-level seminar on channelised and proper use of SCSP, TSP grants organised by the Vedike at Nanjaraj Bahadur Choultry on Vinoba Road here recently.

Noting that the diverted Rs.16,706 crore fund could have been used for construction of 11 lakh houses to Dalits, he lamented that though Ambedkar Development Corporation, Maharshi Valmiki Development Corporation, Banjara, Safai Karmachari, Bovi and Adi Jambava Development Corporations and the Social Welfare Department have been working for empowerment of SC/ST communities, it is regretful to note that these Government bodies had failed in utilisation of funds to the full.

Maintaining that all Governments in power since 1950 have done little for SC/ST communities, Prabhuswamy reiterated that SC/ST funds have been diverted to other Departments for different purposes. He also expressed disappointment that backlog posts in Government Departments are not being filled up, which has deprived the SC/ST communities of opportunities.

Earlier, DSS leader Choranahalli Shivanna, who spoke after inaugurating the seminar, bemoaned that cutting down of grants for SC/ST welfare shows the Government's apathy towards these communities. He expressed disappointment that the Siddharamaiah Government had cut down grants even though he knows much about the allotment and spending of SC/ST welfare funds.

DSS leader Bhimanahalli Somashekar presided. Community leaders D. Pratap, Rajendra, M. Lokesh, N. Pradeep Raj, Yogeesh, Nagaraju, Sagar, Anil and others were present.

DC directs for complete utilisation of SCSP/TSP funds

Mysuru, Sept.9 (PM&DM)- Deputy Commissioner Dr. K.V. Rajendra has directed the officials for complete utilisation of SCSP/TSP funds meant for welfare of SC and ST communities in the current financial year and ensure that the funds do not go waste.

He was speaking after chairing a review meeting of SCSP/TSP sub-plans at Babu Jagjivan Ram Bhavan here on Thursday.

Pointing out that officials should not wait until funds are released, the DC said that they should be ready with the list of beneficiaries as this would help in providing facilities once the funds are released. Such a measure would also be helpful in preventing funds meant for schemes going waste or unutilised, he noted.

Asking officials to suitably guide SC/ST beneficiaries in filing applications for getting due benefits, he said they should also ensure that the facilities reach all the eligible beneficiaries.

Stating that District In-charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa has introduced reading the Preamble of the Constitution, he said that the same must be implemented in all the offices of the district starting on Sept.15, for which officials should register.

Continuing, the DC directed the Social Welfare and SC/ST Welfare Department officials to identify and prepare a list of landless SC/ST families in the district. The Government will take measures for allocating land to them, he said.

Noting that several haadi inhabitants (tribal hamlets) are found to have no ration card, Aadhaar, job cards and bank account, he instructed the officials to hold camps at such hamlets and take measures for issuance of these documents.

MLC C.N. Manjegowda said all the concerned Departments, Boards and Corporations should launch awareness and sensitisation programmes on all the facilities and benefits that have been extended to SC and ST communities by the State and Central Governments.

Zilla Panchayat CEO K.M. Gayathri, Social Welfare Department Joint Director Rangegowda and other officials were present.

EVENTS TODAY (SEPTEMBER 9)

- **BJP, Mysuru:** Book release — 'Karnataka Kesari Jagannatha Rao Joshi' — by former MLC Thontadarya, MLA T.S. Srivatsa presides, Mayor Shivakumar chief guest, author Thimmanna Bhat speaks, Akhila Bharatiya Sahitya Parishat Srigandha Zone Zonal Chief Dr. V. Ranganath speaks about the book, BJP Office, Chamarajapuram, **4 pm.**
- **Kalasuruchi and Kutuhali:** 'Kathe Kelona Banni- 792,' story-telling by N. Keshava Murthy, Programme Executive, Agriculture Section, AIR, Mysuru, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm;** Science Sanje, 'Story of Semiconductor' by Dr. C.P. Ravikumar of Texas Instruments Ltd., Bengaluru, Suruchi Rangamane, Kuvempunagar, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.** [Mob: 92435-81097]
- **Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, Mysuru:** State-level Annual Nadakishorotsava competition, Govinda Madhav - Violin Solo, Shubhang - Mridanga, **4.30 pm;** Mahatee Raghuram - Vocal, Pruthvi Bhaskar - Violin, Vikram Bharadwaj - Mridanga, **6 pm;** TRK Brothers (R.V. Akshay and R.V. Abhishek) - Vocal Duet, Pruthvi Bhaskar - Violin, Vikram Bharadwaj - Mridanga, Sri G.R. Dasappa Memorial Hall, JLB Road, **7.30 pm to 8.50 pm.**
- **Srikrishna Trust Chaturmasya Samiti:** Pejawar Adhokshaja Mutt Seer Sri Vishwaprasanna Teertha Swamiji's 36th Chaturmasya Vrata, Bhajans, Bhagavata discourse, Ramayana discourse and cultural programmes, Srikrishnadhama, Saraswathipuram, **5 pm to 8 pm.**
- **Pragnadeepa Learning Centre and Mysore Science Foundation:** Science and Math Workshop (Hands-on Sessions), Centre premises, Vishweshwaranagar, **5 pm to 8 pm.**
- **Children's Literary Club, Mysuru:** Talk on 'G20' by Dr. R. Purnima, formerly Professor of English, KSOU and presently, Director, Children's Literary Club, Sri Sathya Sai Baba Educational Institutions, Jayalakshmipuram, **5 pm.**
- **Gaana Vaidyaloka, Mysuru:** Yendu Mareyada Haadu-6, musical evening of Bhavageethe written by senior poets and film songs, film actor Shankar Ashwath inaugurates, Gaana Vaidyaloka Hon. President Dr. Y.D. Rajanna presides, Gaana Vaidyaloka President Dr. T. Ravikumar delivers keynote address, District Sahitya Bhavan, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **5 pm.**
- **Akhila Bharata Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru City Unit:** 'Mane-Manege Shravana Masada Sharana Sandesha,' lecture on 'Chalabeku Sharanange Paradhanavanollenemba' by Kumara R.M. Talya, residence of N.D. Shivananjegowda, No. 494/A, 2nd Stage, J.P. Nagar, **5.30 pm.**
- **Chidambaranatesha Natya Shale Trust:** Natya Aradhana 2023-24, Classical Bharatanatyam Programme and honouring of senior artistes, Mayor Shivakumar inaugurates, MLA T.S. Srivatsa presides, Kalamandira, **5.30 pm.**
- **Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), Mysuru Local Centre:** Royal Charity Day, 56th Engineers Day celebrations commemorating Birth Anniversary of Bharat Ratna Dr. Sir M. Visvesvaraya, Seminar on 'His Highness Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar,' B.S. Sridhara Raje Urs, former Director, PU Education Board, Government of Karnataka, delivers keynote address, B.S. Prabhakara, Chairman, IEI, Mysuru, presides, S.P. Bhat Hall, IEI premises, **5.30 pm.**
- **JSS Sangeetha Sabha:** Vocal Concert by **S. Shankar** along with Achyutha Rao on violin and Neyveli Venkatesh on mridanga and S. Manjunath on ghata, Navajyoti auditorium, JSS College for Women premises, Saraswathipuram, **6 pm.**
- **Ganabharathi, Mysuru:** Y.S. Subramanya Memorial Music Concert by Vidu. Amrutha Venkatesh, accompanied by Vid. R. Madhavan on violin, Vid. Arjun Ganesh on mridanga and Vid. Dr. S. Karthik on ghata, Veene Seshanna Bhavana, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Krishna Seva Samithi Charitable Trust and Sri Krishna Ganasabha:** Sri Krishna Janmashtami celebrations, Veena Concert by Vainik Vidwan R.K. Padmanabha, accompanied by Vid. G.S. Ramanujam on mridanga and Vid, V.S. Ramesh on ghata, Alwar Kala Bhavana, Sri Krishna Temple Complex, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **6 pm.**
- **Suttur Mutt:** Shravanamasa discourse; Mass prayers, **6 pm;** Dr. K. Anantaramu, retd. Kannada Professor, Mysuru, delivers discourse on Lakkanna Dandesha's 'Shivatatva Chintamani,' Suttur Mutt, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6.30 pm.**
- **Mahalingeshwara Seva Samiti, Mysuru, Sri Jaladurgaparameshwari Temple, Dakshina Kannada, Sri Mahalingeswara Temple, Mysuru and Sri Mahaganapathi Yakshagana Mandali, Nidle, Dharmasthala:** Yakshagana 'Maharshi Agastya,' Mata Amritanandamayi Mutt in Bogadi, Mysuru, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru:** Swami Mahamedhanandaji speaks on 'Service and Salvation - Letters of Swami Vivekananda,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Charitable Trust:** Karnatak Classical Vocal Concert by Vidu. Dhanya Dinesh Rudrapatna, accompanied by Vidu. Shruthi on violin and Vid. Nandhan Kashyap on mridanga, Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Charitable Trust, Srirama Mandira, Srirampet, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Vighneshwara Prasanna Bhakta Mandali Marpadita Trust - Sri Lakshmivenkataramanaswamy Temple, Udayagiri:** Kalyana Mahotsava, procession in the main thoroughfares, **6.30 pm;** Shayanotsava, Mahamangalarati and Theertha Prasada Viniyoga, **8.30 pm.**
- **Side Wing, Bengaluru:** Staging of play 'Suddenag Sattodre,' written and directed by M.M. Shylesh Kumar, Kalamandira, Hunsur Road, **6.30 pm.**
- **Niranthara Foundation, Mysuru:** Staging of play 'Goruru' by Niranthara theatre troupe, RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (SEPTEMBER 10)

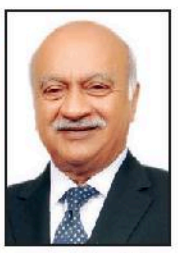
- **Vasantha Mahal (DIET) Alumni Association:** Vasanthotsava and Guru Namana - Sneha Sinchana programme, Nrupatunga auditorium, Vasanth Mahal, **9.30 am.**
- **Konkani Christian Association, Mysuru:** Blessed Mother Mary's Birthday celebrations, Konkan Bhavan, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, **9.30 am.**
- **Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, Mysuru:** State-level Annual Nadakishorotsava Competition, S. Mokshith - Violin Solo, Sumukh - Mridanga, **10 am;** R. Vanishree - Vocal, Mokshith - Violin, Sumukh - Mridanga, **11.30 am;** Dhanya Dinesh - Vocal, Amogh Nadadur - Violin, Nandan Kashyap - Mridanga, **5 pm;** K.P. Pranav - Flute; Amogh Nadadur - Violin; Nandan Kashyap - Mridanga, Sri G.R. Dasappa Memorial Hall, JLB Road, **6.30 pm to 7.50 pm.**
- **Mysore Race Club (MRC) Ltd.:** Inauguration of newly covered platform area, MRC Club House, **10 am.**
- **Kalasuruchi:** 'Ravi Kanaddannu Kavi Kanda,' reading of Kannada poems, Suruchi Rangamane, Kuvempunagar, **10.30 am to 12 noon.**
- **Sahara Art & Crafts:** Handicraft & Handloom expo, Scouts & Guides Grounds, behind DC's Office, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**
- **Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering (VVCE):** Induction Programme for the first year BE students, Sreenivasa Ramanujam Kanduri, Delivery Partner, Cloud Business Unit, TCS, Bengaluru, chief guest, Gundappa Gowda, President, Vidyavardhaka Sangha, presides, Sri H. Kempegowda Indoor Sports Complex, VVCE Campus, **10.30 am.**
- **Sri Krishnarajendra Co-op. Bank Ltd., Mysuru:** Felicitation to senior Co-operatives, Sri Shanthamallikarjuaswamy of Salur Mutt graces the occasion, MP Pratap Simha inaugurates, MLA Tanveer Sait presides, MLA A.R. Krishnamurthy chief guest, Maharaja's College Centenary Hall, **11 am.**
- **Mysuru Zilla Pendal Malikara Sangha:** Mysuru Vaibhava, State-level 3rd Mega Convention, CM Siddharamaiah inaugurates, **12 noon;** Musical Programme, Dasara Exhibition Grounds, **7 pm.**
- **Vishwa Chetana Balaga:** Teachers Day celebrations, conferring of 'Akshara Dasohi' award on C. Basappa, lecturer and poet, Mysuru, Srimathi Suresh, teacher and poetess, Gundlupet and Anilraja, Assistant Teacher and Poet, Namana Kala Mantapa, 2nd Cross Road, near Ashoka (Ballal) Circle, Krishnamurthypuram, **1.30 pm.**
- **Mahalingeshwara Seva Samiti, Mysuru, Sri Jaladurgaparameshwari Temple, Dakshina Kannada, Sri Mahalingeswara Temple, Mysuru and Sri Mahaganapathi Yakshagana Mandali, Nidle, Dharmasthala:** Yakshagana 'Sampoorna Ramayana' including Pattabhisheka Muhurta, Panchavati, Lanka Dahana, Ravana Vadhe and Nija Pattabhisheka, Sri Mahalingeshwara Temple premises, K. Hemmanahalli, Bogadi Road, **4 pm.**
- **Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP):** Monthly meeting to discuss woes of consumers in health sector, MGP premises, Vivekananda Road, Yadavagiri, **4 pm.**
- **Srikrishna Trust Chaturmasya Samiti:** Pejawar Adhokshaja Mutt Seer Sri Vishwaprasanna Teertha Swamiji's 36th Chaturmasya Vrata, Bhajans, Bhagavata discourse, Ramayana discourse and cultural programmes, Srikrishnadhama, Saraswathipuram, **5 pm to 8 pm.** [Mob: 94482-71837 or 99452-30501]
- **Samskruthi Trust, Mysuru and Department of Kannada & Culture, Bengaluru:** Naada Nruthya - Annual Art Festival, Nandini Nritya Kendra (Mysuru) Director Vid. Kannan R. Ramanujam inaugurates, Kannada & Culture Assistant Director Dr. M.D. Sudarshan and B.M. Ramachandra of Sri Rajeshwari Vastralankara chief guests; Cultural programmes - Sugama Sangeetha by artistes of Ganabharathi Sugama Sangeetha Division, **5.45 pm;** Stage Programme, **6.15 pm;** Bharatanatyam by students of Samskruthi Trust - Samskruthi Academy of Performing Arts, **6.30 pm;** Bharatanatyam by Nruthya Eesha Performing Art Centre, Mysuru, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, **7.30 pm.**
- **Noopura Nrithyalaya:** Noopura Nrithyotsava, *Karnataka Kalashree* Dr. K. Kumar, Professor and Head, Department of Dance, University College of Fine Arts, *Karnataka Kalashree* Vidwan V. Nanjundaswamy, author and musicologist and Dr. Shalvapille Iyengar, Head, Department of Ancient History and Archaeology, KSOU and Chair and Co-ordinator, National Academy Depository, chief guests, RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **5.30 pm.**
- **Suttur Mutt:** Shravanamasa discourse; Mass prayers, **6 pm;** Dr. K. Anantaramu, retd. Kannada Professor, Mysuru, delivers discourse on Lakkanna Dandesha's 'Shivatatva Chintamani,' Suttur Mutt, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Krishna Seva Samithi Charitable Trust and Sri Krishna Ganasabha:** Sri Krishna Janmashtami celebrations, Mohiniyattam y Kalamandalam Suchitra Anilkumar and Bharatanatyam by her students, Alwar Kala Bhavana, Sri Krishna Temple Complex, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **6.30 pm.**
- **Natana School of Theatre Arts, Mysuru:** Karanta Namana, staging of play 'Andha Yuga,' Natana premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**

Open House Discussion

on 'The Idea of India' tomorrow

Mysuru, Sept. 9- Mysore Open Forum has organised an Open House Discussion on 'The Idea of India' moderated by Prof. M. Umapathy and Ravi Joshi at 10.30 am on Sept. 10 at Kalpa Kshetra Auditorium, #581/1, Vijayanagar 4th Stage, 1st Phase, Mysuru, [Mob: 94498-19536]

M. Umapathy



Ravi Joshi

Prof. M. Umapathy is a former Professor and Chairman, Department of Political Science, University of Mysore, Manasagangothri. He is the author of several books and has been active in organising lectures and events of public interest.

Ravi Joshi did his MA in Political Science at Manasagangothri in 1974 after which he went on to do his M.Phil at the School of International Studies at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

He was an Under Secretary in the Ministry of Defence before joining the Indian External Intelligence Service, the Research & Analysis Wing and served there for over 25 years. He has had three diplomatic assignments; in the Maldives, Kenya and Austria during which he also served as India's Alternate Permanent Representative to two UN agencies, United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) in Nairobi, Kenya and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) in Vienna, Austria.

Intl. Meet on 'Neurodegeneration'

Mysuru, Sept. 9- The Division of Biochemistry, School of Life Sciences, Mysuru, JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research (JSS AHER), Mysuru, has organised an International Conference on 'Neurodegeneration: Biomarkers and Therapeutic Targets' on Sept. 11 and 12.

Neurodegenerative diseases, encompassing conditions like Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, Huntington's and Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, profoundly affect neuron function and result in cognitive decline, motor dysfunction and other debilitating symptoms. This Conference serves as a platform to address these pressing concerns and deliberate the scientific advancements.

The eminent resource personnel from various institutes of India (NIMHANS, IISER, Kolkata and NIPER-Ahmadabad) and United States of America (University of Pennsylvania, University of Colorado, The Nathan S Kline Institute for Psychiatric Research, New York) will be delivering the invited lectures and throw light on the insights of neurological disorders and their therapeutic targets. Overall, the event aims to showcase the importance of biomarkers in diagnosing the progression of neurodegenerative diseases and the scope of targeted therapy.

The Conference promotes collaboration and knowledge-sharing among experts in the field. About 250 delegates from different parts of the country, representing Institutes/ Universities of eminence working in this field will present their finding, discuss and deliberate on the innovative approaches adopted to enhance the quality of life for the individual affected by the neurodegenerative diseases.

For details, contact: Mob: 90350-14468 or 98448-41983.

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FINALS

TODAY'S MATCHES (SEPT. 9)

MIXED DOUBLES
1 Austin Krajicek & Jessica Pegula
Anna Danilina & Harri Heliövaara — 9.30 pm

TOMORROW'S MATCHES (SEPT. 10)

WOMEN'S SINGLES
6 Coco Gauff Vs 2 Aryna Sabalenka — 1.30 am

WOMEN'S DOUBLES
16 Erin Routliffe & Gabriela Dabrowski
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WORD OF THE DAY

Debonair

Pronunciation: deb-uh-NAIR.
Meaning: Debonair describes someone who may, by definition, also be called fashionable, attractive and confident.
Origin: Calling someone debonair is another way of saying they've got a certain je ne sais quoi, or to be more specific (and complete the rhyme): savoir faire. Ooh la la! If this all sounds ultra chic to you, you're not alone. French has a certain cachet, a fanciness and prestige owing in part to its deep etymological, historical, and political connections with English. This extends to many French words that English has borrowed outright or adapted, including debonair. In Anglo-French, someone who was genteel and thought to be well-brought-up was described as deboneire—literally "of good family or nature" (from the three-word phrase de bon aire). When the word was borrowed into English in the 13th century, it basically meant "courteous," but today's debonair incorporates suaveness, nonchalance, and maybe even a soupçon of esprit (carefree sophistication with a dash of wit).
Example: "By trade, Malik Afegbua is an accomplished filmmaker. He is currently working on a Netflix docudrama about Nigerian textile designer and global fashion icon Nike Davies-Okundaye. ... Recently, his artificial intelligence (AI) generated Fashion Show for Elders broke the internet and garnered international press coverage with its stunning images of debonair elders owning the runway." — Ebony Flake, Essence, 20 Jan. 2023.

THE ODD WORD

Decastich

Ten-line poem.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

A dime a dozen

Meaning: When you say 'A dime a dozen' you mean that something is common and almost worthless.
Origin: The origin of the expression 'A dime a dozen' as a figure of speech rather than an actual cost can be found in early 20th century America. A very early example comes from a 1931 edition of The Northern Miner news**paper:** "Caners, the old timer said, is just an overgrown clown. As for the others – Schaof, Baer, Paulino, Risko, Campolo – they're nothing but dime a dozen fighters."
Example: "Those antique dishes are pretty, but they're a dime a dozen."

QUOTE BOX

Smart people are a dime a dozen. What matters is the ability to think different... to think out of the box. **—Walter Isaacson**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

LUC KY

Answer: Lucky break.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Condensed moisture
4 Mystic symbol
8 A place where animals are kept
11 Greek vowel
12 ___ Jong : famous authoress?
14 Ultimo, in short
15 Contrary vote
16 Slacken or diminish, abate (3,2)
17 A Hawaiian garland
18 Between ports (2,3)
20 Bullets
22 61 in Roman numerals
24 Parties
25 Wander about aimlessly
28 A long way
30 Of local origin locally
34 Pointed tool
35 Run a tab
36 One short of a cricket team
37 Not sincere
39 Piece of meadow
40 Religious cloistered man
41 Strange
43 In short, the famous cricket organisation of England
45 Laila's counterpart
48 Type of eclipse
52 Debtor's note
53 Muse of poetry
57 Introduction to Latin
58 Tolkien's tree like creature
59 Receive enthusiastically? (3,2)
60 Acknowledge applause
61 Not elsewhere specified, abbr.
62 Wooden pegs, pins, or blocks
63 In short, she has the same parents as you

DOWN
1 ___ bank: Former public sector bank
2 Coup d'- ___ : change of Govt.
3 Manners or modes
4 Take it easy
5 Suffix with "eras" or "past"
6 Louse egg
7 Old French coin
8 African tribe
9 Couturier Cassini
10 Singer Redding
13 Furry dog Lhasa ____
19 Hardwood tree
21 Hallucinogenic drug
23 Poker concession (1,4)
24 Fantasy
25 Scrap of cloth or paper
26 Nocturnal bird
27 Ex-India all-rounder Abid ___
29 Great respect
31 WWII battleground
32 A Japanese copper coin
33 Marking fluid
38 Good for Guillaume
40 Iron Man and Thor's franchise in short
42 Fight between two people
44 Hoof sounds
45 Bearing
46 Top-notch (1,3)
47 __ out : protrudes outward?
49 Seizes suddenly
50 Mine, in Aix
51 Commotions
54 Was a candidate
55 PFC's mail drop
56 Drag

THURSDAY'S ANSWER

I	F	F	Y	■	P	I	P	■	R	H	E	A
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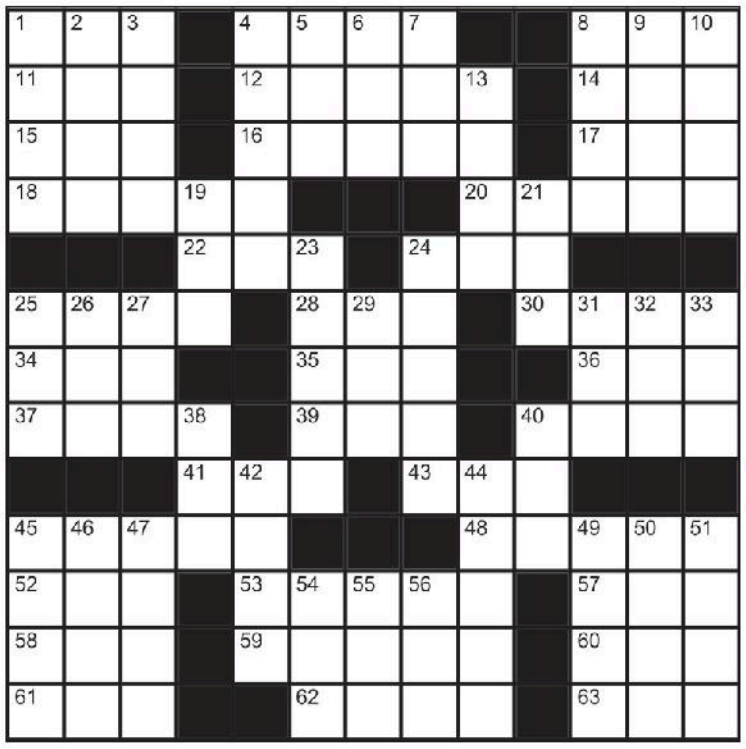

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9			6			2		
	4	8				7		

Answer to previous puzzle

4	2	3	7	8	6	1	5	9
7	9	1	4	2	5	8	6	3
8	6	5	9	1	3	2	4	7
1	3	7	8	5	2	4	9	6
2	8	6	3	4	9	7	1	5
9	5	4	6	7	1	3	8	2
5	7	9	1	3	4	6	2	8
3	1	2	5	6	8	9	7	4
6	4	8	2	9	7	5	3	1

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

RQ RZ PFPIREN BTY VTFLJHQH RZ QBH

WHJDZRTE QBPQ CHPDQG RZ NTTWEHZZ.

TODAY'S CLUE: N EQUALS G

Thursday's Cryptoquip: He was a bold man that first ate an oyster.

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		7.10 pm, 10 pm
	(S-2)	4 pm; (S-4) 4.15 pm
Jawan (H)	(S-1)	4 pm
	(S-4)	9.45 am, 1 pm, 7 pm, 10.15 pm
Lucia (K)	(S-2)	10.10 am
Jailer (K)	(S-2)	12.55 pm
Jailer (Ta)	(S-3)	6.55 pm
Kushi (Te)	(S-2)	4.05 pm
Miss Shetty Mr Polishetty (Te)	(S-2)	7.15 pm, 10.10 pm
The Nun II (E)	(S-3)	11 am, 10.10 pm
Kaddha Chitra (K)	(S-3)	1.30 pm

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	(S-3)	4 pm, 10 pm; (S-4) 7.15 pm
Kaddha Chitra (K)	(S-1)	1.15 pm
Jailer (K)	(S-1)	3.20 pm
Jailer (Ta)	(S-1)	9.45 pm
Jawan (H)	(S-1)	6.30 pm; (S-4) 10.05 pm
	(S-2)	10 am, 4.10 pm, 9.45 pm
	(S-3)	12.45 pm, 6.45 pm
The Nun II (E)	(S-2)	7.30 pm ; (S-3) 10.30 am
	(S-4)	10.30 am

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		5.55 pm, 6.10 pm, 6.55 pm
		9.30 pm, 9.45 pm, 10.30 pm
Miss Shetty Mr Polishetty (Te)	:	10.20 am, 4.05 pm, 9.50 pm
Sapta Sagaradaache Ello (K)	:	1.15 pm, 4.15 pm, 7.15, 10.15 pm
The Nun II (E)	:	1.30 pm, 7.15 pm, 9.30 pm
Kushi (Te)	:	6.00 pm

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Jawan (H)	:	8 am, 11 am, 11.35 am
		2.35 pm, 3.10 pm, 6.10 pm
		6.45 pm, 9.45 pm, 10.20 pm
Sapta Sagaradaache Ello (K)	:	10.00 am, 1.00 pm
		6.50 pm, 9.50 pm
Miss Shetty Mr Polishetty (Te)	:	12.30 pm, 7.05 pm
Kushi (Te)	:	3.40 pm
The Nun II (E)	:	4.15 pm, 10.15 pm

Distribution of scholarships, awards and felicitation to toppers

Mysuru, Sept. 9 (KS)- The merit scholarship distribution ceremony and felicitation to toppers of 10th Std and PUC of Seshadripuram Independent PU College (SIPUC), Mysuru, was held at the seminar hall of the College in city recently.

SIPUC Principal N. Archana Swamy welcomed the dignitaries. Retired Hindustan Aeronautics Limited General Manager Nemichandra, who is also an author, graced the occasion as the chief guest.

Nemichandra motivated Second PU students by presenting enormous real life incidents to instil positive attitude in the young minds. She said it is admirable that the students have been honoured in a befitting way, not all institutions do this kind of work and appreciated Seshadripuram Institution for identifying and honouring efficient students and she hoped that it would continue.

Speaking about "attitude of being gratitude," she inspired students to be grateful in their life by giving many examples in contrast to other poor and underprivileged children who flourished with mere benefits in life.

Later, Nadoja Dr. Wooday P. Krishna, Honorary Secretary of the organisation delivered the presidential address by remembering the way the organisation has grown and imparting education to lakhs of students.

The ceremony was marked by felicitating the students who have emerged as rank holders in the PU exams for the academic year 2022-23 and were presented with a cash prize of Rs. 10,000 each, certificate and memento.

Fourteen students of present I PUC were given free seat in the college for their commendable percentage in 10th Board Exams and also 24 students were given scholarship of Rs. 10,000 each. 48 I PU students were also given appreciation certificates for their remarkable score in the SSLC examination.

Chairman of Seshadripuram Educational Trust B.A. Anantharam, Trustee W.D. Ashok, Seshadripuram Degree College Principal Sowmya Erappa, teaching and non-teaching staff and students of the college were present on the occasion.

MGP meeting tomorrow

Mysuru, Sept. 9- The monthly meeting of Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP) will be held on Sept. 10 at its premises on Vivekananda Road, Yadavagiri, at 4 pm.

The meeting will discuss woes of consumers in health sector. City's prominent doctors with rich experience are participating in the discussion. MGP has also invited a few members who had faced problems while seeking treatment.

Dr. C. G. Narasimhan, Dr. Chandrashekar of Aditya Hospital, Plastic surgeon Dr. Jayaram, Dr. K.R. Kamath of Kamakshi Hospital, Dr. C.B. Keshavmurthy of Manipal Hospital are some of the doctors who will participate in the meeting.

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		7 pm, 10 pm
Kushi (Te)	(S-4)	10.20 pm
Jawan (H)	(S-1)	9.30 am
	(S-2)	11.45 am, 3.20 pm
		6.55 pm, 10.30 pm
	(S-3)	10.45 am, 2.20 pm
		5.55 pm, 9.30 pm
The Nun II (E)	(S-4)	11.00 am, 4.40 pm
Miss Shetty Mr Polishetty (Te)	(S-4)	1.30 pm, 7.10 pm

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The Nun II (E)	:	10.00 am, 7.40 pm
Jawan (H)	:	10.15 am, 11.15 am
		12.30 pm, 1.50 pm, 2.50 pm
		5.25 pm, 6.25 pm
		9.00 pm, 10.00 pm
Sapta Sagaradaache Ello (K)	:	10.20 am, 1.20 pm
		7.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Miss Shetty Mr Polishetty (Te)	:	4.20 pm, 10.10 pm

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